

SENATE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL 563

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013

AN ACT

RELATING TO WATER; REQUIRING THE STATE ENGINEER TO MAKE
FINDINGS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF WATER OUT OF A GROUND WATER
BASIN THAT IS DESIGNATED AS A CRITICAL MANAGEMENT AREA.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 72, Article 12 NMSA
1978 is enacted to read:

"~~[NEW MATERIAL]~~ OUT-OF-BASIN TRANSFERS--FINDINGS.--

A. When acting upon an application for a change of
place of use of a ground water right having a point of
diversion located within a critical management area, as
designated by the state engineer, to a location outside of that
critical management area, the state engineer shall consider and
make findings regarding the critical management area status and
the effect of the proposed transfer on that status.

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