## SB197\_L.002 SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT Committee on <u>Agriculture & Natural Resources</u>. SB24-197 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 6, line 4, strike "DURING" and substitute 2 "SUBJECT TO SECTION 37-92-305 (3)(f), DURING".

- 3 Page 7, line 8, after "(3)(c)(III)" insert "and (3)(f)".
- 4 Page 7, line 21, strike "THE" and substitute "SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION
  5 (3)(f) OF THIS SECTION, THE".
- 6 Page 8, after line 1 insert:

7 "(f) (I) TO QUALIFY FOR HISTORICAL CONSUMPTIVE USE 8 PROTECTION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(c)(III) OF THIS SECTION OR TO 9 QUALIFY FOR THE EXCEPTION TO ABANDONMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 10 37-92-103 (2)(c), AN ELECTRIC UTILITY THAT MANAGES ALL UNITS OF A 11 GENERATING STATION IN DIVISION 6 SHALL, FOR ITSELF AND ON BEHALF OF 12 THE OTHER OWNERS OF THE GENERATING STATION, FILE WITH THE 13 DIVISION 6 WATER COURT AN APPLICATION SEEKING QUANTIFICATION OF 14 THE HISTORICAL CONSUMPTIVE USE FOR THE ABSOLUTE DIRECT FLOW 15 WATER RIGHTS SERVING THE GENERATING STATION. THE APPLICATION 16 MUST BE FILED WITH THE DIVISION 6 WATER COURT WITHIN ONE YEAR 17 AFTER THE DATE THAT THE FINAL UNIT OF THE GENERATING STATION IS 18 TAKEN OFFLINE.

19 (II) THE APPLICATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3)(f)(I) OF THIS 20 SECTION IS A CLAIM FOR A DETERMINATION OF A WATER RIGHT, AND THE 21 DIVISION 6 WATER COURT HAS JURISDICTION TO DETERMINE THE 22 HISTORICAL CONSUMPTIVE USE FOR THE ABSOLUTE DIRECT FLOW WATER 23 RIGHTS SERVING THE GENERATING STATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS 24 SECTION USING THE STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 25 37-92-302, 37-92-303, AND 37-92-304 AND THIS SECTION, INCLUDING 26 STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES RELATED TO NOTICE AND PARTICIPATION 27 OF OPPOSERS; EXCEPT THAT A CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT IS NOT REQUIRED 28 AS A PREREQUISITE FOR THE QUANTIFICATION OF THE HISTORICAL 29 CONSUMPTIVE USE BY THE DIVISION 6 WATER COURT. IF THE DIVISION 6 30 WATER COURT ENTERS A DECREE QUANTIFYING THE HISTORICAL 31 CONSUMPTIVE USE, SUBSECTION (3)(e) OF THIS SECTION APPLIES TO THE 32 ABSOLUTE DIRECT FLOW WATER RIGHTS.".

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