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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE:	Negotiate Water Rights			SB	
				ANALYST:	Pickering

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY00	FY01	FY00	FY01		
		See Narrative			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of the State Engineer/Interstate Stream Commission (OSI/ISC)

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of HAFC Amendment

The House Appropriations and Finance Committee amendment deletes language that requested OSE to work with acequias and community ditches to develop and implements measures to resolve errors and commissions.

Synopsis of HAGC Amendment

The House Agriculture and Water Resources Committee amendment deletes language that requested OSE not to oppose the rights of acequia associations to be heard before the appropriate courts regarding errors and omissions, and includes language to have OSE work with acequias and community ditches toward resolution of those issues that remain unresolved after negotiations.

Synopsis of Bill

HJM49 requests the Office of the State Engineer (OSE) to negotiate, investigate and correct errors and omissions in the adjudication of individual water rights for members of acequias and community ditches. The memorial also urges OSE to not oppose the rights of acequias in the event that negotiations do not resolve errors and omissions, that these associations can bring their claims before the appropriate court of law.

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