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Senator Constantine moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Delete lines 2394 - 2444

and insert:

373.1961 Water production; general powers and duties;
identification of needs; funding criteria; economic incentives;
reuse funding.-

(3) FUNDING.-

(a) The water management districts and the state shall
share a percentage of revenues with water providers and users,
including local governments, water, wastewater, and reuse
utilities, municipal, special district, industrial, and



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13 agricultural water users, and other public and private water
14 users, to be used to supplement other funding sources in the
15 development of alternative water supplies and conservation
16 projects that result in quantifiable water savings.

17 (b) Beginning in fiscal year 2005-2006, the state shall
18 annually provide a portion of those revenues deposited into the
19 Water Protection and Sustainability Program Trust Fund for the
20 purpose of providing funding assistance for the development of
21 alternative water supplies and conservation projects that result
22 in quantifiable water savings pursuant to the Water Protection
23 and Sustainability Program. At the beginning of each fiscal
24 year, beginning with fiscal year 2005-2006, such revenues shall
25 be distributed by the department into the alternative water
26 supply trust fund accounts created by each district for the
27 purpose of alternative water supply development under the
28 following funding formula:

29 1. Thirty percent to the South Florida Water Management
30 District;

31 2. Twenty-five percent to the Southwest Florida Water
32 Management District;

33 3. Twenty-five percent to the St. Johns River Water
34 Management District;

35 4. Ten percent to the Suwannee River Water Management
36 District; and

37 5. Ten percent to the Northwest Florida Water Management
38 District.

39 (c) The financial assistance for alternative water supply
40 projects allocated in each district's budget as required in s.
41 373.196(6) shall be combined with the state funds and used to



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42 assist in funding the project construction costs of alternative
43 water supply projects and the project costs of conservation
44 projects that result in quantifiable water savings selected by
45 the governing board. If the district has not completed any
46 regional water supply plan, or the regional water supply plan
47 does not identify the need for any alternative water supply
48 projects, funds deposited in that district's trust fund may be
49 used for water resource development projects, including, but not
50 limited to, springs protection.

51 (f) The governing boards shall determine those projects
52 that will be selected for financial assistance. The governing
53 boards may establish factors to determine project funding;
54 however, significant weight shall be given to the following
55 factors:

56 1. Whether the project provides substantial environmental
57 benefits by preventing or limiting adverse water resource
58 impacts.

59 2. Whether the project reduces competition for water
60 supplies.

61 3. Whether the project brings about replacement of
62 traditional sources in order to help implement a minimum flow or
63 level or a reservation.

64 4. Whether the project will be implemented by a consumptive
65 use permittee that has achieved the targets contained in a goal-
66 based water conservation program approved pursuant to s.
67 373.227.

68 5. The quantity of water supplied by the project as
69 compared to its cost.

70 6. Projects in which the construction and delivery to end



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71 users of reuse water is a major component.

72 7. Whether the project will be implemented by a
73 multijurisdictional water supply entity or regional water supply
74 authority.

75 8. Whether the project implements reuse that assists in the
76 elimination of domestic wastewater ocean outfalls as provided in
77 s. 403.086(9).

78 9. Whether the county or municipality, or the multiple
79 counties or municipalities, in which the project is located has
80 implemented a high-water recharge tax protection program as
81 provided in s. 193.625.

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83 ===== D I R E C T O R Y C L A U S E A M E N D M E N T =====

84 And the directory clause is amended as follows:

85 Delete lines 2392 - 2393

86 and insert:

87 Section 29. Paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (f) of subsection (3) of
88 section 373.1961, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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90 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

91 And the title is amended as follows:

92 Delete lines 125 - 128

93 and insert:

94 373.1961, F.S.; expanding alternative water supply
95 funding to include quantifiable conservation projects;
96 adding a high-water recharge criterion to the ranking
97 criteria for water projects;