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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Dean moved the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 283 - 295

and insert:

(3) (a) Cooperative efforts between municipalities, counties, water management districts, and the department are mandatory in order to meet the water needs of rapidly urbanizing areas in a manner that will supply adequate and dependable supplies of water where needed without resulting in adverse effects upon the areas from which such water is withdrawn. Such efforts should use all practical means of obtaining water, including, but not limited to, withdrawals of surface water and ground water, reuse, and desalination and will necessitate not



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14 only cooperation but also well-coordinated activities.
15 Municipalities, counties, and special districts are encouraged
16 to create regional water supply authorities as authorized in s.
17 373.713 or multijurisdictional water supply entities.

18 (b) A water transfer may only occur if the affected
19 counties or regions enter into a water transfer agreement. The
20 water transfer agreement must be discussed during at least one
21 public hearing held in each county or region at least 90 days
22 prior to the signing of the agreement and must contain the
23 signatures of each:

- 24 1. Chair of the elected county commissions;
25 2. Elected mayor and president of the city councils;
26 3. Chair of the local water management districts; or
27 4. City manager.