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AB-1343 Water conservation: school districts: Go Low Flow Water Conservation Partnerships. (2017-2018)



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Assembly Bill No. 1343

CHAPTER 90

An act relating to water conservation.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1343, Chen. Water conservation: school districts: Go Low Flow Water Conservation Partnerships.

Existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district to initiate and carry on any program or activity, or to otherwise act in any manner, which is not in conflict or inconsistent with, or preempted by, any law and which is not in conflict with the purposes for which school districts are established.

This bill would authorize the governing board of a school district to enter into a Go Low Flow Water Conservation Partnership with a public water system for purposes of reducing water use at schools, reducing stormwater and dry weather runoff at schools, reducing schoolsite water pollution, and establishing the basis for educational opportunities in water conservation. The bill would authorize a public water system to offer, as part of a partnership, a water rebate for a school that implements water-saving measures.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: no Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. (a) The governing board of a school district may enter into a Go Low Flow Water Conservation Partnership with a public water system, as defined in Section 116275 of the Health and Safety Code, that provides water to the school district for purposes of reducing water use at schools, reducing stormwater and dry weather runoff at schools, reducing schoolsite water pollution, and establishing the basis for educational opportunities in water conservation.

- (b) A partnership agreement entered into pursuant to subdivision (a) shall outline the terms of the partnership, include a survey of water use at the school, list opportunities for implementing water conservation measures, and establish protocols for sharing information from the public water system to school information platforms, including, but not limited to, Internet Web sites, classroom handouts, and events.
- (c) A public water system may offer, as part of a partnership entered into pursuant to subdivision (a), a rebate for a school that implements water-saving measures.