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TO: MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON GREAT LAKES WATER

RESOURCES COMPACT

FROM: John Stolzenberg, Chief of Research Services, and Rachel Letzing, Senior Staff Attorney

RE: Division of Responsibilities Among the Subcommittees of the Special Committee

DATE: December 22, 2006

We have consulted with Senator Neal Kedzie, Chair of the Special Committee, on the division of responsibilities among the subcommittees of the Special Committee. Based on his input, we have identified below the provisions in the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact (the "compact") assigned to each subcommittee or the miscellaneous bill draft we are preparing at Senator Kedzie's direction. These provisions are identified by subsection in the compact, as set forth in LRB-0058/P1.

These assignments include consideration of the recommendations and concerns regarding the implementation of the applicable sections of the compact submitted by Special Committee members and others, as identified in revised Memo No. 11 (revised December 22, 2006). The assignments also include sections in the compact for which no recommendations or concerns have been raised to date, in case additional issues arise during deliberations by the subcommittees.

Subcommittee on Regulation of Withdrawals, Consumptive Uses, and Diversions

- (1e) Definitions.
- (3) General powers and duties. [Only the revision of the standard of review and decision in proposed s. 281.343 (3) (a) 2.]
- (4) Water management and regulation; water resources inventory, registration, and reporting.
- (4d) Water management and regulation; party powers and duties.
- (4f) Water management and regulation; requirement for originating party approval.

- (4h) Water management and regulation; regional review.
- (4j) Water management and regulation; proposals subject to prior notice.
- (4L) Water management and regulation; council actions.
- (4m) Water management and regulation; prohibition of new or increased diversions.
- (4n) Water management and regulation; exceptions to the prohibition of diversions.
- (4p) Water management and regulation; management and regulation of new or increased withdrawals and consumptive uses.
- (4r) Water management and regulation; decision-making standard.
- (4t) Water management and regulation; applicability. [Other than the provision on bulk water transfer in proposed s. 281.343 (4t) (j).]
- (4v) Water management and regulation; exemptions.
- (4z) Water management and regulation; assessment of cumulative impacts.

Subcommittee on Water Conservation and Bottled Water

- (4b) Water management and regulation; water conservation and efficiency programs.
- (4t) Water management and regulation; applicability. [Only the provision on bulk water transfer in proposed s. 281.343 (4t) (j).]

Subcommittee on Public Participation and Dispute Resolution

- (5) Consultation with tribes.
- (6) Public participation.
- (7) Dispute resolution and enforcement; good faith implementation.
- (7g) Dispute resolution and enforcement; alternative dispute resolution.
- (7r) Dispute resolution and enforcement; enforcement.

Miscellaneous Bill Draft [Prepared at the Direction of Senator Kedzie]

- (1) Ratification
- (1m) Findings and purposes.

- (1s) Science.
- (2) Organization [of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Council].
- (3) General powers and duties. [Other than revision of the standard of review and decision in proposed s. 281.343 (3) (a) 2.]
- (4x) Water management and regulation; U.S. Supreme Court decree in Wisconsin et al. v. Illinois et al.
- (8) Additional provisions.
- (9) Effectuation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at the Legislative Council staff offices.

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