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COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, ENERGY & WATER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO S.B. 1242
(Reference to Senate engrossed bill)

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

2 "Section 1. Section 49-1332, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 **49-1332. Water conservation grant fund; purposes**

5 A. Monies in the water conservation grant fund must facilitate
6 voluntary water conservation programs or projects that are expected to
7 result in at least one of the following:

- 8 1. Long-term reductions in water use.
- 9 2. Improvements in water use efficiency.
- 10 3. Improvements in water reliability.

11 B. Monies in the water conservation grant fund may be used for the
12 following:

13 1. Education and research programs on how to reduce water
14 consumption, increase water efficiency or increase water reuse.

15 2. Programs and projects for rainwater harvesting, gray water
16 systems, efficiency upgrades, installing drought-resistant landscaping,
17 turf removal and other practices to reduce water use.

18 3. Programs or projects to promote groundwater recharge and improved
19 aquifer health.

20 4. Programs or projects to improve groundwater conservation and
21 surface water flows.

1 5. Landscape watershed protection, restoration and rehabilitation,
2 including through green infrastructure and low-impact development to
3 conserve or augment water supplies.

4 6. Projects facilitating coordinated water management, including
5 groundwater storage and recovery.

6 7. Programs or projects to reduce structural water overuse issues.

7 8. Program implementation and administration costs for eligible
8 programs.

9 9. ADMINISTRATION COSTS OF THE FUND.

10 10. INCREASING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE FUND. FOR THE PURPOSES OF
11 THIS PARAGRAPH, EACH FISCAL YEAR THE AUTHORITY MAY SPEND UP TO TEN PERCENT
12 OF INTEREST MONIES FROM THE FUND.

13 Sec. 2. Section 49-1333, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
14 read:

15 49-1333. Water conservation grant fund; procedures

16 A. In compliance with any applicable requirements, an eligible
17 entity as defined in section 49-1301 may apply to the authority for and
18 accept grants from the water conservation grant fund for a water
19 conservation program or project that complies with the requirements of
20 sections 49-1332 and 49-1334. A nongovernment organization that focuses on
21 water conservation or environmental protection may apply to the authority
22 for and accept grants from the water conservation grant fund for a water
23 conservation program or project if it partners with an eligible entity as
24 defined in section 49-1301. A DEVELOPER AS DEFINED IN SECTION 32-2101 MAY
25 APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANTS FROM THE WATER CONSERVATION GRANT FUND TO
26 INSTALL GRAY WATER SYSTEMS.

27 B. The authority shall:

28 1. Prescribe a simplified form and procedure to apply for and
29 approve assistance.

30 2. Establish by rule criteria that are consistent with this article
31 by which assistance will be awarded.

1 3. Determine the order and priority of water conservation programs
2 or projects assisted under this section based on the merits of the
3 application with respect to the requirements of sections 49-1332 and
4 49-1334.

5 4. Provide that a single water conservation program grant may not
6 exceed \$3,000,000, a single water conservation project grant may not exceed
7 \$250,000 and at least a twenty-five percent match is required for each
8 water conservation program or project. Monies from any other source may
9 satisfy the match requirement."

10 Amend title to conform

And, as so amended, it do pass

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