

# CONFLICT AMENDMENT RECOMMENDATION

## **HB 3544**

### **Relating to water**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee

Carrier: Senator Frederick

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HB 3544 establishes a uniform process and timeline for contested case proceedings on new water right and water right transfer applications administered by the Water Resources Department.

The Joint Committee on Ways and Means previously approved this bill, and it has passed the House.

The –B7 amendment resolves conflicts with HB 3342. The conflict amendment inserts language into HB 3544 clarifying that any person may file a request for party status; repeals sections 5, 32, and 33 of HB 3342; and inserts language into HB 3544 so that both bills function together to address contested case proceedings regarding water rights.

I recommend HB 3544 be amended by the –B7 conflict amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.