

# Anatomy of a Bill

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005—06 REGULAR SESSION

Bill Number

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 672**

Introduced by Assembly Member Klehs

Author and Version Date

February 17, 2005

An act to amend Section 115825 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to reservoirs.

Code section(s) added or amended

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 672, as introduced, Klehs. Reservoirs with water intended for domestic use: recreational use.

Existing law prohibits the recreational use of reservoirs where water is stored for domestic use to include recreation in which there is bodily contact with the water by a participant. The law exempts certain reservoirs from this prohibition and sets forth certain conditions and restrictions to ensure water purity.

This bill would exclude certain recreational activity from the prohibition against bodily contact with the water in a reservoir containing water intended for domestic use, including, but not limited to, fishing and canoeing, and hiking in areas adjacent to the reservoir.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

Legislative Counsel's Digest

This indicates if the State is requiring local governments to implement a new program or expend additional funds on an existing program

Most bills require a majority vote of both houses, except urgency bills and bills with an appropriation. These require a 2/3 vote.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 115825 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

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3 115825. (a) It is hereby declared to be the policy of this state  
4 that multiple use should be made of all public water within the  
5 state, to the extent that multiple use is consistent with public  
6 health and public safety.

7 (b) Except as provided in this article, recreational uses shall  
8 not, with respect to a reservoir in which water is stored for  
9 domestic use, include recreation in which there is bodily contact  
10 with the water by any participant.

11 (c) *Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, this article  
12 does not prohibit the following recreational uses:*

13 (1) *Hiking in the areas adjacent to the reservoir.*

14 (2) *Bike riding in the areas adjacent to the reservoir*

15 (d) *Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, this article  
does not prohibit any of the following recreational activities, nor  
does it prohibit bodily contact with the water that is reasonably  
necessary for any of the following recreational activities:*

(1) *Fishing.*

(2) *Kayaking.*

(3) *Canoeing.*

Existing law NOTE: Language added in the previous version of the bill will not be italicized in subsequent versions of the bill.

Amended text of the bill: Italics indicate language added to existing law. Strikethroughs indicate language being deleted from existing law.