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ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. 0038

ENROLLED ACT NO. 5, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2013 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to water; providing that applications for the use of water outside the state may be aggregated for review as specified; providing rulemaking authority; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 41-3-115(b) is amended to read:

41-3-115. Applications for use of water outside the state.

None of the water of the state either surface or (b) underground may be appropriated, stored or diverted for use of the state or for use as a medium outside of transportation of mineral, chemical or other products to another state without the specific prior approval of the legislature. Provided, however, neither approval by the legislature nor compliance with the application procedures under subsections (m) through (r) of this section shall be required for appropriations that will transfer or use outside the state less than one thousand (1,000) acre-feet of water per year unless the applications are part of a collection of related applications or appropriations from the same source of supply for the same or similar use where the total use or transfer outside the state exceeds one thousand (1,000) acre-feet per year in aggregate. The state engineer is authorized to adopt rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this subsection.

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Section 2. This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED:

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk