CHAPTER 273

WATER AND IRRIGATION

SENATE BILL 98-201

BY SENATORS Ament and Bishop; also REPRESENTATIVES Entz and Sullivant.

AN ACT

CONCERNING CHANGES IN THE DATES FOR REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO WATER WELL PUMPING IN THE
DENVER BASIN AQUIFERS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, DELAYING THE IMPLEMENTATION DATE
OF THE STRICTER STANDARD OF REPLACEMENT OF STREAM DEPLETIONS RESULTING FROM THE
OPERATION OF WELLS IN THE DENVER BASIN AQUIFERS, EXTENDING THE REPEAL DATE OF SUCH
STRICTER STANDARD THEREBY DELAYING THE RETURN TO THE STANDARD OF REPLACEMENT IN
EXISTENCE PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1999, AND EXTENDING THE REPEAL DATE OF THE SPECIAL WATER
COMMITTEE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 37-90-137 (9) (c) (II) and (9) (c.5) (II), Colorado Revised Statutes,
are amended to read:

37-90-137. Permits to construct wells outside designated basins - fees -
permit no ground water right - evidence - time limitation - well permits.
(9) (c) (II) This paragraph (c) shall not be in effect from July 1, 1998
until July 1, 2002, during which time paragraph (c.5) shall apply.

(c.5) (II) This paragraph (c.5) is effective July 1, 1998, and is repealed,
effective July 1, 2002.

SECTION 2. 37-90-137.5 (6), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

37-90-137.5. Special water committee - creation - study - repeal. (6) This
section is repealed, effective July 1, 1998.
SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: June 1, 1998