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METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

March 30, 1993

To: Board of Directors (Executive Committee--Action)
 (Special Committee on Legislation--Action)
 From: General Manager
 Subject: Support for Senate Bill No. 365 (Kelley)

Report

Existing law declares that the use of potable domestic water for various nonpotable uses is a waste or an unreasonable use of water, and prohibits a person or public agency from using potable domestic water for those uses, if reclaimed water is available and specified requirements are met. It is the intent of Senate Bill No. 365 (SB 365) introduced by Senator Kelley on February 19, 1993 to declare that the use of potable domestic water for residential landscape irrigation, floor trap priming, cooling towers, and air conditioning devices is a waste and unreasonable use of water, if certain requirements are met.

SB 365 would authorize a public agency to require the use of reclaimed water for these uses in various prescribed structures, if certain health department and other appropriate requirements are met. Because SB 365 would likely increase the use of reclaimed water in Metropolitan's service area, it would potentially reduce the need for imported water supplies in the future. Therefore, implementation of SB 365 would be in Metropolitan's interests.

Board Committee Assignments

This letter is referred for action to:

The Executive Committee because it involves legislation which may affect Metropolitan, pursuant to Administrative Code Section 2417(a); and

The Special Committee on Legislation because it involves a legislative matter that may affect Metropolitan, pursuant to Administrative Code Section 2581(a).

Recommendation

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION
FOR ACTION.**

It is recommended that your Board support Senate
Bill No. 365.


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