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HOUSE BILL 1509

By: Representatives Northcutt, McGinnis, and Mahony et al

"AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1 OF ACT 1051 OF 1985 [ARK. STATS. 9-129] TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENT FOR GROUNDWATER USE REPORTING: AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Act 1051 of 1985, the same being Section 9-129 of the Arkansas Statutes, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. All persons who withdraw underground water, except from individual household wells used exclusively for domestic use, and except from wells having a maximum potential flow rate of less than fifty thousand gallons per day, shall report to their local conservation district or the Arkansas Soil and Water Conservation Commission the following:

(A) If the water is used for agricultural irrigation:

- (1) the number and size of wells;
- (2) crops and acreage irrigated; and
- (3) the legal description of the lands irrigated
(which may be depicted by the use of appropriate maps);

(B) If the water is used for other than agricultural irrigation:

- (1) the number and size of wells;
- (2) the name of the water user and the location of the use; and
- (3) the use of the water and the quantity used;

(C) Any other reasonable information requested by the Arkansas Soil and Water Conservation Commission in the performance of its duties under the laws of the State of Arkansas.

Such reports shall be submitted annually no later than March 1 indicating the water usage for the prior wateryear. After the initial report, persons whose water use remains unchanged from the prior wateryear need only report no

change in water use. A wateryear is a twelve-month period beginning October 1 and ending the next September 30."

SECTION 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

