



SB18-176

SHORT TITLE: Board Meeting Dates Southwestern Water Conservation District

LONG TITLE: Concerning changes to the requirements for meeting dates for the board of the southwestern water conservation district.

SPONSORS: Sen. Coram/Reps. McLachlan and Catlin

COMMITTEES: Senate Committees – Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy

PURPOSE OF THE BILL: To allow a change in the statutorily designated meeting dates for the Southwestern Water Conservation District.

PROPONENTS OF THE BILL: Southwestern Water Conservation District

POTENTIAL STAKEHOLDERS: The Southwestern Water Conservation District Board and its members

BACKGROUND: The Southwestern Water Conservation District is created by statute; its meeting requirements are similarly fixed in statute including meeting dates.

Is this bill necessary this year? No.

How does the bill change current law? Under existing statute, the board of the Southwestern Water Conservation District is required to meet on the fourth Tuesday of January, April, July, and October. This bill requires that the board meet once every three months, and removes the specific date requirements.

Does the bill affect the prior appropriations system? No.

How is the bill implemented? The bill is self-executing. Upon its effective date the Board of the district would be required to post notice of its new meeting dates and observe all other public meeting requirements. The Board may be required to amend its bylaws to reflect the new dates.

Practical considerations: How to best notify members of the district and the public who may be interested in the Board's activities. The change in meeting dates will necessitate changes in certain scheduled activities of the board such as selection of officers, which should not be onerous.

Fiscal Impact: None identified.