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### **HOUSE BILL 2572**

#### AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 9-463.01, 11-823, 32-2181, 32-2183, 32-2197.08, 45-108, 45-420, 45-421 AND 45-452, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 45, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 5, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTIONS 45-465.05, 45-465.06, 45-465.07 AND 45-465.08; AMENDING SECTIONS 45-569 AND 45-576, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO GROUNDWATER.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 9-463.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended 3 to read:

#### 9-463.01. <u>Authority</u>

- 5 A. Pursuant to this article, the legislative body of every 6 municipality shall regulate the subdivision of all lands within its 7 corporate limits.
- 8 B. The legislative body of a municipality shall exercise the 9 authority granted in subsection A of this section by ordinance 10 prescribing:
- 1. Procedures to be followed in the preparation, submission, review 12 and approval or rejection of all final plats.
  - 2. Standards governing the design of subdivision plats.
- 3. Minimum requirements and standards for the installation of subdivision streets, sewer and water utilities and improvements as a 16 condition of final plat approval.
  - C. By ordinance, the legislative body of any municipality shall:
- 18 1. Require the preparation, submission and approval of a 19 preliminary plat as a condition precedent to submission of a final plat.
- 20 2. Establish the procedures to be followed in the preparation, 21 submission, review and approval of preliminary plats.
- 22 3. Make requirements as to the form and content of preliminary 23 plats.
- 4. Either determine that certain lands may not be subdivided, by 25 reason of adverse topography, periodic inundation, adverse soils, 26 subsidence of the earth's surface, high water table, lack of water or 27 other natural or man-made hazard to life or property, or control the lot 28 size, establish special grading and drainage requirements and impose other 29 regulations deemed reasonable and necessary for the public health, safety 30 or general welfare on any lands to be subdivided affected by such 31 characteristics.
- 32 5. Require payment of a proper and reasonable fee by the subdivider 33 based upon ON the number of lots or parcels on the surface of the land to 34 defray municipal costs of plat review and site inspection.
- 6. Require the dedication of public streets, sewer and water utility easements or rights-of-way, within the proposed subdivision.
- 7. Require the preparation and submission of acceptable engineering land specifications for the installation of required street, sewer, electric and water utilities, drainage, flood control, adequacy of water and improvements as a condition precedent to recordation of an approved final plat.
- 42 8. Require the posting of performance bonds, assurances or such 43 other security as may be appropriate and necessary to assure the 44 installation of required street, sewer, electric and water utilities,

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1 drainage, flood control and improvements meeting established minimum 2 standards of design and construction.

- 3 D. The legislative body of any municipality may require by 4 ordinance that land areas within a subdivision be reserved for parks, 5 recreational facilities, school sites and fire stations subject to the 6 following conditions:
- 7 1. The requirement may only be made upon ON preliminary plats filed 8 at least thirty days after the adoption of a general or specific plan 9 affecting the land area to be reserved.
- 10 2. The required reservations are in accordance with definite 11 principles and standards adopted by the legislative body.
- 12 3. The land area reserved shall be of such a size and shape as to 13 permit ALLOW the remainder of the land area of the subdivision within 14 which the reservation is located to develop in an orderly and efficient 15 manner.
- 4. The land area reserved shall be in such multiples of streets and parcels as to permit ALLOW an efficient division of the reserved area in the event that it is not acquired within the prescribed period.
- E. The public agency for whose benefit an area has been reserved shall have a period of one year after recording the final subdivision plat to enter into an agreement to acquire such reserved land area. The purchase price shall be the fair market value of the reserved land area at the time of the filing of the preliminary subdivision plat plus the taxes against such reserved area from the date of the reservation and any other costs incurred by the subdivider in the maintenance of such reserved area, including the interest cost incurred on any loan covering such reserved area.
- F. If the public agency for whose benefit an area has been reserved does not exercise the reservation agreement set forth in subsection E of this section within such one year ONE-YEAR period or such extended period as may be mutually agreed upon ON by such public agency and the subdivider, the reservation of such area shall terminate.
- 33 G. The legislative body of every municipality shall comply with 34 this article and applicable state statutes pertaining to the hearing, 35 approval or rejection, and recordation of:
  - 1. Final subdivision plats.

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- 37 2. Plats filed for the purpose of reverting to acreage of land 38 previously subdivided.
- 39 3. Plats filed for the purpose of vacating streets or easements 40 previously dedicated to the public.
- 4. Plats filed for the purpose of vacating or redescribing lot or 42 parcel boundaries previously recorded.

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- 1 H. Approval of every preliminary and final plat by a legislative 2 body is conditioned  $\frac{1}{2}$  ON compliance by the subdivider with:
- 3 1. Rules as may be established by the department of transportation 4 relating to provisions for the safety of entrance  $\frac{\text{upon}}{\text{on}}$  ON and departure 5 from abutting state primary highways.
- 6 2. Rules as may be established by a county flood control district 7 relating to the construction or prevention of construction of streets in 8 land established as being subject to periodic inundation.
- 9 3. Rules as may be established by the department of health services 10 or a county health department relating to the provision of domestic water 11 supply and sanitary sewage disposal.
- I. If the subdivision is comprised COMPOSED of subdivided lands, as 12 13 defined in section 32-2101, and is within an active management area, as 14 defined in section 45-402, the final plat shall not be approved unless it 15 is accompanied by a certificate of assured water supply issued by the 16 director of water resources, or unless the subdivider has obtained a 17 written commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town 18 or private water company designated as having an assured water supply by 19 the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-576 or is exempt 20 from the requirement pursuant to section 45-576. The legislative body of 21 the municipality shall note on the face of the final plat that a 22 certificate of assured water supply has been submitted with the plat or 23 that the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for 24 the proposed subdivision from a city, town or private water company 25 designated as having an assured water supply, pursuant to section 45-576, 26 or is exempt from the requirement pursuant to section 45-576.
- J. Except as provided in subsections K and P of this section, if 28 the subdivision is composed of subdivided lands as defined in section 29 32-2101 outside of an INITIAL active management area and the director of 30 water resources has given written notice to the municipality pursuant to 31 section 45-108, subsection H, the final plat shall not be approved unless 32 one of the following applies:
- 33 1. The director of water resources has determined that there is an 34 adequate water supply for the subdivision pursuant to section 45-108 and 35 the subdivider has included the report with the plat.
- 36 2. The subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water 37 service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company 38 designated as having an adequate water supply by the director of water 39 resources pursuant to section 45-108.
- K. The legislative body of a municipality that has received written all notice from the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-108, subsection H or that has adopted an ordinance pursuant to subsection 0 of this section may provide by ordinance an exemption from the requirement in subsection J or 0 of this section for a subdivision that the director of water resources has determined will have an inadequate water supply

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1 because the water supply will be transported to the subdivision by motor 2 vehicle or train if all of the following apply:

- 1. The legislative body determines that there is no feasible 4 alternative water supply for the subdivision and that the transportation 5 of water to the subdivision will not constitute a significant risk to the 6 health and safety of the residents of the subdivision.
- 7 2. If the water to be transported to the subdivision will be 8 withdrawn or diverted in the service area of a municipal provider as 9 defined in section 45-561, the municipal provider has consented to the 10 withdrawal or diversion.
- 11 3. If the water to be transported is groundwater, the 12 transportation complies with the provisions governing the transportation 13 of groundwater in title 45, chapter 2, article 8.
- 4. The transportation of water to the subdivision meets any 15 additional conditions imposed by the legislative body.
- L. A municipality that adopts the exemption authorized 17 subsection K of this section shall give written notice of the adoption of 18 the exemption, including a certified copy of the ordinance containing the 19 exemption, to the director of water resources, the director 20 environmental quality and the state real estate commissioner. 21 municipality later rescinds the exemption, the municipality shall give 22 written notice of the rescission to the director of water resources, the 23 director of environmental quality and the state real 24 commissioner. A municipality that rescinds an exemption adopted pursuant 25 to subsection K of this section shall not readopt the exemption for at 26 least five years after the rescission becomes effective.
- M. If the legislative body of a municipality approves a subdivision 28 plat pursuant to subsection J, paragraph 1 or 2 or subsection O of this 29 section, the legislative body shall note on the face of the plat that the 30 director of water resources has reported that the subdivision has an 31 adequate water supply or that the subdivider has obtained a commitment of 32 water service for the proposed subdivision from a city, town or private 33 water company designated as having an adequate water supply pursuant to 34 section 45-108.
- N. If the legislative body of a municipality approves a subdivision 36 plat pursuant to an exemption authorized by subsection K of this section 37 or granted by the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-108.02 or 45-108.03:
- 39 1. The legislative body shall give written notice of the approval 40 to the director of water resources and the director of environmental 41 quality.
- 2. The legislative body shall include on the face of the plat a 43 statement that the director of water resources has determined that the 44 water supply for the subdivision is inadequate SUFFICIENT GROUNDWATER, 45 SURFACE WATER OR EFFLUENT OF ADEQUATE QUALITY MIGHT NOT BE CONTINUOUSLY,

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1 LEGALLY OR PHYSICALLY AVAILABLE TO SATISFY THE WATER NEEDS OF THE 2 SUBDIVISION FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS and a statement describing the exemption 3 under which the plat was approved, including a statement that the 4 legislative body or the director of water resources, whichever applies, 5 has determined that the specific conditions of the exemption were met. If 6 the director subsequently informs the legislative body that the 7 subdivision is being served by a water provider that has been designated 8 by the director as having an adequate water supply pursuant to section 9 45-108, the legislative body shall record in the county recorder's office 10 a statement disclosing that fact.

- O. If a municipality has not been given written notice by the 12 director of water resources pursuant to section 45-108, subsection H, the 13 legislative body of the municipality, to protect the public health and 14 safety, may provide by ordinance that, except as provided in subsections K 15 and P of this section, the final plat of a subdivision located in the 16 municipality and outside of an INITIAL active management area will not be 17 approved by the legislative body unless the director of water resources 18 has determined that there is an adequate water supply for the subdivision 19 pursuant to section 45-108 or the subdivider has obtained a written 20 commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town or 21 private water company designated as having an adequate water supply by the 22 director of water resources pursuant to section 45-108. Before holding a 23 public hearing to consider whether to enact an ordinance pursuant to this 24 subsection, a municipality shall provide written notice of the hearing to 25 the board of supervisors of the county in which the municipality is 26 located. A municipality that enacts an ordinance pursuant to this 27 subsection shall give written notice of the enactment of the ordinance, 28 including a certified copy of the ordinance, to the director of water 29 resources, the director of environmental quality, the state real estate 30 commissioner and the board of supervisors of the county in which the 31 municipality is located. If a municipality enacts an ordinance pursuant 32 to this subsection, water providers may be eligible to receive monies in a 33 water supply development fund, as otherwise provided by law.
  - P. Subsections J and O of this section do not apply to:
- 1. A proposed subdivision that the director of water resources has determined will have an inadequate water supply pursuant to section 45-108 37 if the director grants an exemption for the subdivision pursuant to 38 section 45-108.02 and the exemption has not expired or if the director 39 grants an exemption pursuant to section 45-108.03.
- 2. A proposed subdivision that received final plat approval from the municipality before the requirement for an adequate water supply became effective in the municipality if the plat has not been materially changed since it received the final plat approval. If changes were made to the plat after the plat received the final plat approval, the director of water resources shall determine whether the changes are material

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1 pursuant to the rules adopted by the director to implement section 2 45-108. If the municipality approves a plat pursuant to this paragraph 3 and the director of water resources has determined that there is an 4 inadequate water supply for the subdivision pursuant to section 45-108, 5 the municipality shall note this on the face of the plat THAT THE DIRECTOR 6 OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT SUFFICIENT GROUNDWATER, SURFACE 7 WATER OR EFFLUENT OF ADEQUATE QUALITY MIGHT NOT BE CONTINUOUSLY, LEGALLY 8 OR PHYSICALLY AVAILABLE TO SATISFY THE WATER NEEDS OF THE SUBDIVISION FOR 9 ONE HUNDRED YEARS.

- Q. If the subdivision is composed of subdivided lands as defined in 11 section 32-2101 outside of an INITIAL active management area and the 12 municipality has not received written notice pursuant to section 45-108, 13 subsection H and has not adopted an ordinance pursuant to subsection 0 of 14 this section:
- 1. If the director of water resources has determined that there is 16 an adequate water supply for the subdivision pursuant to section 45-108 or 17 if the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for 18 the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as 19 having an adequate water supply by the director of water resources 20 pursuant to section 45-108, the municipality shall note this on the face 21 of the plat if the plat is approved.
- 22 2. If the PLAT IS APPROVED AND THE director of water resources has 23 determined that there is an inadequate water supply for the subdivision 24 pursuant to section 45-108, the municipality shall note this THAT THE 25 DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT SUFFICIENT GROUNDWATER, 26 SURFACE WATER OR EFFLUENT OF ADEQUATE QUALITY MIGHT NOT BE CONTINUOUSLY, 27 LEGALLY OR PHYSICALLY AVAILABLE TO SATISFY THE WATER NEEDS OF THE 28 SUBDIVISION FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS on the face of the plat if the plat is 29 approved.
- R. Every municipality is responsible for the recordation of all final plats approved by the legislative body and shall receive from the subdivider and transmit to the county recorder the recordation fee as established by the county recorder.
- 34 S. Pursuant to provisions of applicable state statutes, the 35 legislative body of any municipality may itself prepare or have prepared a 36 plat for the subdivision of land under municipal ownership.
- T. The legislative bodies of cities and towns may regulate by 38 ordinance land splits within their corporate limits. Authority granted 39 under this section refers to the determination of division lines, area and 40 shape of the tracts or parcels and does not include authority to regulate 41 the terms or condition of the sale or lease nor does it include the 42 authority to regulate the sale or lease of tracts or parcels that are not 43 the result of land splits as defined in section 9-463.

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- U. For any subdivision that consists of ten or fewer lots, tracts 2 or parcels, each of which is of a size as prescribed by the legislative 3 body, the legislative body of each municipality may expedite the 4 processing of or waive the requirement to prepare, submit and receive 5 approval of a preliminary plat as a condition precedent to submitting a 6 final plat and may waive or reduce infrastructure standards or 7 requirements proportional to the impact of the subdivision. Requirements 8 for dust-controlled access and drainage improvements shall not be waived.
- 9 Sec. 2. Section 11-823, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 10 read:

#### 11-823. <u>Water supply; adequacy; exemptions</u>

- A. To protect the public health and safety, the general regulations adopted by the board pursuant to section 11-821, subsection B, if approved by unanimous vote of the board of supervisors, may provide that, except as provided in subsection C and subsection D, paragraph 1 of this section, the board shall not approve a final plat for a subdivision composed of subdivided lands, as defined in section 32-2101, located outside of an INITIAL active management area, as defined in section 45-402, OR LOCATED WITHIN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-402, 20 unless one of the following applies:
- 21 1. The director of water resources has determined that there is an 22 adequate water supply for the subdivision pursuant to section 45-108 and 23 the subdivider has included the report with the plat.
- 24 2. The subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water 25 service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company 26 designated as having an adequate water supply by the director of water 27 resources pursuant to section 45-108.
- 28 B. If the board unanimously adopts the provision authorized by 29 subsection A of this section:
- 1. The board may include in the general regulations an exemption from the provision for a subdivision that the director of water resources determined will have an inadequate water supply because the water supply will be transported to the subdivision by motor vehicle or train if all of the following apply:
- 35 (a) The board determines that there is no feasible alternative 36 water supply for the subdivision and that the transportation of water to 37 the subdivision will not constitute a significant risk to the health and 38 safety of the residents of the subdivision.
- 39 (b) If the water to be transported to the subdivision will be 40 withdrawn or diverted in the service area of a municipal provider as 41 defined in section 45-561, the municipal provider has consented to the 42 withdrawal or diversion.
- 43 (c) If the water to be transported is groundwater, the 44 transportation complies with the provisions governing the transportation 45 of groundwater in title 45, chapter 2, article 8.

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- 1 (d) The transportation of water to the subdivision meets any 2 additional conditions imposed by the county.
- 2. The board shall promptly give written notice of the adoption of 4 the provision to the director of water resources, the director of 5 environmental quality and the state real estate commissioner. The notice 6 shall include a certified copy of the provision, and any exemptions 7 adopted pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subsection AND SPECIFY WHETHER THE 8 PROVISION AND EXCEPTIONS APPLY TO ALL AREAS OF THE COUNTY THAT ARE LOCATED 9 OUTSIDE OF AN INITIAL ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 10 45-402, OR TO ONLY AREAS OF THE COUNTY THAT ARE LOCATED WITHIN A 11 SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-402. Water 12 providers may be eligible to receive monies in a water supply development 13 fund, as otherwise provided by law.
- 3. The board shall not rescind the provision or amend it in a 15 manner that is inconsistent with subsection A of this section. If the board amends the provision, it shall give written notice of the amendment to the director of water resources, the director of environmental quality and the state real estate commissioner. The board may rescind an exemption adopted pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subsection. If the 20 board rescinds the exemption, it shall give written notice of the 21 rescission to the director of water resources, the director of 22 environmental quality and the state real estate commissioner, and the 23 board shall not readopt the exemption for at least five years after the 24 rescission becomes effective.
- 4. If the board approves a subdivision plat pursuant to subsection A, paragraph 1 or 2 of this section, the board shall note on the face of the plat that the director of water resources has reported that the subdivision has an adequate water supply or that the subdivider has obtained a commitment of water service for the proposed subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an adequate water supply pursuant to section 45-108.
- 32 5. If the board approves a subdivision plat pursuant to an 33 exemption authorized by paragraph 1 of this subsection or granted by the 34 director of water resources pursuant to section 45-108.02 or 45-108.03:
- 35 (a) The board shall give written notice of the approval to the 36 director of water resources and the director of environmental quality.
- 37 (b) The board shall include on the face of the plat a statement 38 that the director of water resources has determined that the water supply 39 for the subdivision is inadequate SUFFICIENT GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER OR 40 EFFLUENT OF ADEQUATE QUALITY MIGHT NOT BE CONTINUOUSLY, LEGALLY OR 41 PHYSICALLY AVAILABLE TO SATISFY THE WATER NEEDS OF THE SUBDIVISION FOR ONE 42 HUNDRED YEARS and a statement describing the exemption under which the 43 plat was approved, including a statement that the board or the director of 44 water resources, whichever applies, has determined that the specific 45 conditions of the exemption were met. If the director of water resources

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1 subsequently informs the board that the subdivision is being served by a 2 water provider that has been designated by the director as having an 3 adequate water supply pursuant to section 45-108, the board shall record 4 in the county recorder's office a statement disclosing that fact.

- C. Subsection A of this section does not apply to:
- 1. A proposed subdivision that the director of water resources has determined will have an inadequate water supply pursuant to section 45-108 if the director grants an exemption for the subdivision pursuant to 9 section 45-108.02 and the exemption has not expired or the director grants 10 an exemption pursuant to section 45-108.03.
- 2. A proposed subdivision that received final plat approval from the county before the requirement for an adequate water supply became effective in the county if the plat has not been materially changed since it received the final plat approval. If changes were made to the plat after the plat received the final plat approval, the director of water resources shall determine whether the changes are material pursuant to the rules adopted by the director to implement section 45-108. If the county approves a plat pursuant to this paragraph and the director of water resources has determined that there is an inadequate water supply for the subdivision pursuant to section 45-108, the county shall note this on the face of the plat THAT THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT SUFFICIENT GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER OR EFFLUENT OF ADEQUATE QUALITY MIGHT NOT BE CONTINUOUSLY, LEGALLY OR PHYSICALLY AVAILABLE TO SATISFY THE WATER NEEDS OF THE SUBDIVISION FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS.
- D. If the subdivision is composed of subdivided lands as defined in 26 section 32-2101 outside of an INITIAL active management area and the board 27 has not adopted a provision pursuant to subsection A of this section:
- 1. If the director of water resources has determined that there is 29 an adequate water supply for the subdivision pursuant to section 45-108 or 30 if the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for 31 the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as 32 having an adequate water supply by the director of water resources 33 pursuant to section 45-108, the board shall note this on the face of the 34 plat if the plat is approved.
- 2. If the PLAT IS APPROVED AND THE director of water resources has determined that there is an inadequate water supply for the subdivision pursuant to section 45-108, the board shall note this on the face of the 38 plat if the plat is approved THAT THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS 39 DETERMINED THAT SUFFICIENT GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER OR EFFLUENT OF 40 ADEQUATE QUALITY MIGHT NOT BE CONTINUOUSLY, LEGALLY OR PHYSICALLY 41 AVAILABLE TO SATISFY THE WATER NEEDS OF THE SUBDIVISION FOR ONE HUNDRED 42 YEARS.

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Sec. 3. Section 32-2181, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 2 read:

32-2181. Notice to commissioner of intention to subdivide lands; unlawful acting in concert; exceptions; deed restrictions; definition

- 6 A. Before offering subdivided lands for sale or lease, the 7 subdivider shall notify the commissioner in writing of the subdivider's 8 intention. The notice shall contain:
- 1. The name and address of the owner. If the holder of any ownership interest in the land is other than an individual, such as a 11 corporation, partnership or trust, THE NOTICE SHALL CONTAIN a statement 12 naming the type of legal entity and listing the interest and the extent of 13 any interest of each principal in the entity. For the purposes of this 14 section, "principal" means any person or entity having a ten per cent 15 PERCENT or more financial interest or, if the legal entity is a trust, 16 each beneficiary of the trust holding a ten per cent PERCENT or more 17 beneficial interest.
  - 2. The name and address of the subdivider.
  - 3. The legal description and area of the land.
- 4. A true statement of the condition of the title to the land, 21 including all encumbrances on the land, and a statement of the provisions 22 agreed to by the holder of any blanket encumbrance enabling a purchaser to 23 acquire title to a lot or parcel free of the lien of the blanket 24 encumbrance on completion of all payments and performance of all of the 25 terms and provisions required to be made or performed by the purchaser 26 under the real estate sales contract by which the purchaser has acquired 27 the lot or parcel. The subdivider shall file copies of documents 28 acceptable to the department containing these provisions with the 29 commissioner before the sale of any subdivision lot or parcel subject to a 30 blanket encumbrance.
- 5. The terms and conditions on which it is intended to dispose of land, together with copies of any real estate sales contract, conveyance, lease, assignment or other instrument intended to be used, and any other information the owner or the owner's agent or subdivider desires to present.
- 36 6. A map of the subdivision that has been filed in the office of 37 the county recorder in the county in which the subdivision is located.
- 7. A brief but comprehensive statement describing the land on and the locality in which the subdivision is located.
- 40 8. A statement of the provisions that have been made for permanent 41 access and provisions, if any, for health department approved sewage and 42 solid waste collection and disposal and public utilities in the proposed 43 subdivision, including water, electricity, gas and telephone facilities.

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- 9. A statement as to the location of the nearest public common and high schools available for the attendance of school age SCHOOL-AGE pupils residing on the subdivision property.
- 4 10. A statement of the use or uses for which the proposed 5 subdivision will be offered.
- 6 11. A statement of the provisions, if any, limiting the use or 7 occupancy of the parcels in the subdivision, together with copies of any 8 restrictive covenants affecting all or part of the subdivision.
- 9 12. The name and business address of the principal broker selling or 10 leasing, within this state, lots or parcels in the subdivision.
- 13. A true statement of the approximate amount of indebtedness that 12 is a lien on the subdivision or any part of the subdivision and that was 13 incurred to pay for the construction of any on-site or off-site 14 improvement, or any community or recreational facility.
- 14. A true statement or reasonable estimate, if applicable, of the amount of any indebtedness that has been or is proposed to be incurred by 17 an existing or proposed special district, entity, taxing area or 18 assessment district, within the boundaries of which the subdivision, or 19 any part of the subdivision, is located, and that is to pay for the 20 construction or installation of any improvement or to furnish community or 21 recreational facilities to the subdivision, and which amounts are to be 22 obtained by ad valorem tax or assessment, or by a special assessment or 23 tax upon 0N the subdivision or any part of the subdivision.
- 24 15. A true statement as to the approximate amount of annual taxes, 25 special assessments or fees to be paid by the buyer for the proposed 26 annual maintenance of common facilities in the subdivision.
- 27 16. A statement of the provisions for easements for permanent access 28 for irrigation water where IF applicable.
- 17. A true statement of assurances for the completion of off-site improvements, such as roads, utilities, community or recreational facilities and other improvements to be included in the offering or represented as being in the offering, and approval of the offering by the political subdivision with authority. This statement shall include a trust agreement or any other evidence of assurances for delivery of the improvements and a statement of the provisions, if any, for the continued maintenance of the improvements.
- 37 18. A true statement of the nature of any improvements to be 38 installed by the subdivider, the estimated schedule for completion and the 39 estimated costs related to the improvements that will be borne by 40 purchasers of lots in the subdivision.
- 41 19. A true statement of the availability of sewage disposal 42 facilities and other public utilities, including water, electricity, gas 43 and telephone facilities in the subdivision, the estimated schedule for 44 their installation, and the estimated costs related to the facilities and 45 utilities that will be borne by purchasers of lots in the subdivision.

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- 20. A true statement as to whether all or any portion of the subdivision is located in an open range or area in which livestock may roam at large under the laws of this state and what provisions, if any, have been made for the fencing of the subdivision to preclude livestock from roaming within the subdivided lands.
- 21. If the subdivider is a subsidiary corporation, a true statement identifying the parent corporation and any of the following in which the parent or any of its subsidiaries is or has been involved within the past five years:
  - (a) Any subdivision in this state.
- 11 (b) Any subdivision, wherever located, for which registration is 12 required pursuant to the federal interstate land sales full disclosure 13 act.
- 14 (c) Any subdivision, wherever located, for which registration would 15 have been required pursuant to the federal interstate land sales full 16 disclosure act but for the exemption for subdivisions whose lots are all 17 twenty acres or more in size.
- 22. A true statement identifying all other subdivisions, designated 19 in paragraph 21 of this subsection, in which any of the following is or, 20 within the last five years, has been directly or indirectly involved:
  - (a) The holder of any ownership interest in the land.
  - (b) The subdivider.
  - (c) Any principal or officer in the holder or subdivider.
- 23. A true statement as to whether all or any portion of the subdivision is located in territory in the vicinity of a military airport or ancillary military facility as defined in section 28-8461, in territory in the vicinity of a public airport as defined in section 28-8486, on or after July 1, 2001, in a high noise or accident potential zone as defined in section 28-8461 or on or after July 1 of the year in which the subdivision becomes located in a high noise or accident potential zone. The statement required pursuant to this paragraph does not require the amendment or refiling of any notice filed before July 1, 2001 or before July 1 of the year in which the subdivision becomes located in a high noise or accident potential zone.
- 35 24. If the subdivision is a conversion from multifamily rental to 36 condominiums as defined in section 33-1202, a true statement as to the 37 following:
- 38 (a) That the property is a conversion from multifamily rental to 39 condominiums.
  - (b) The date original construction was completed.
- 25. Other information and documents and certifications as the 42 commissioner may reasonably require, provided EXCEPT that the subdivider 43 shall not be required to disclose any critical infrastructure information 44 as defined in section 41-1801 or any information contained in a report 45 issued pursuant to section 41-4273.

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- B. The commissioner, on application, may grant a subdivider of lots or parcels within a subdivision for which a public report was previously sissued by the commissioner an exemption from all or part of the notification requirements of subsection A of this section. The subdivider shall file a statement with the commissioner indicating the change of ownership in the lots or parcels together with any material changes occurring subsequent to the original approval of the subdivision within which the lots or parcels are located. The statement shall further refer to the original approval by the commissioner.
- C. If the subdivision is within an INITIAL active management area, as defined in section 45-402, the subdivider shall accompany the notice with a certificate of assured water supply issued by the director of water resources along with proof that all applicable fees have been paid pursuant to sections 48-3772 and 48-3774.01, unless the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply by the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-576 or is exempt from the requirement pursuant to section 45-576. If the subdivider has submitted a certificate of assured water supply to a city, town or county prior to BEFORE approval of the plat by the city, town or county and this has been noted on the face of the plat, the submission constitutes compliance with this subsection if the subdivider provides proof to the commissioner that all applicable fees have been paid pursuant to sections 48-3772 and 48-3774.01.
- D. It is unlawful for a person or group of persons acting in concert to attempt to avoid this article by acting in concert to divide a parcel of land or sell subdivision lots by using a series of owners or conveyances or by any other method that ultimately results in the division of the lands into a subdivision or the sale of subdivided land. The plan or offering is subject to this article. Unlawful acting in concert pursuant to this subsection with respect to the sale or lease of subdivision lots requires proof that the real estate licensee or other licensed professional knew or with the exercise of reasonable diligence should have known that property which THAT the licensee listed or for which the licensee acted in any capacity as agent was subdivided land subject to this article. A familial relationship alone is not sufficient to constitute unlawful acting in concert.
- 38 E. A creation of six or more lots, parcels or fractional interests 39 in improved or unimproved land, lots or parcels of any size is subject to 40 this article except when:
- 1. Each of the lots, parcels or fractional interests represents, on 42 a partition basis, thirty-six acres or more in area of land located in 43 this state, including to the centerline of dedicated roads or easements, 44 if any, contiguous to the land in which the interests are held.

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- 2. The lots, parcels or fractional interests are the result of a 2 foreclosure sale, the exercise by a trustee under a deed of trust of a 3 power of sale or the grant of a deed in lieu of foreclosure. This 4 paragraph does not allow circumvention of the requirements of this 5 article.
- 3. The lots, parcels or fractional interests are created by a valid 7 order or decree of a court pursuant to and through compliance with title 8 12, chapter 8, article 7 or by operation of law. This paragraph does not 9 allow circumvention of the requirements of this article.
- 10 4. The lots, parcels or fractional interests consist of interests 11 in any oil, gas or mineral lease, permit, claim or right therein and such 12 interests are regulated as securities by the United States or by this 13 state.
- 5. The lots, parcels or fractional interests are registered as securities under the laws of the United States or the laws of this state or are exempt transactions under section 44-1844, 44-1845 or 44-1846.
- 17 6. The commissioner by special order exempts offerings or 18 dispositions of any lots, parcels or fractional interests from compliance 19 with this article on written petition and on a showing satisfactory to the 20 commissioner that compliance is not essential to the public interest or 21 for the protection of buyers.
- 7. A sale or lease of a lot, parcel or fractional interest occurs ten or more years after the sale or lease of another lot, parcel or fractional interest and the other lot, parcel or fractional interest is 25 not subject to this article and is treated as an independent parcel unless, upon ON investigation by the commissioner, there is evidence of intent to subdivide.
- F. In areas outside of INITIAL active management areas established pursuant to title 45, chapter 2, article 2:
- 1. If the subdivision is located in a county that has adopted the provision authorized by section 11-823, subsection A, or in a city or town that has enacted an ordinance pursuant to section 9-463.01, subsection 0, 33 the subdivider shall accompany the notice with a report issued by the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-108 stating that the subdivision has an adequate water supply, unless one of the following applies:
- 37 (a) The subdivider submitted the report to a city, town or county 38 before approval of the plat by the city, town or county and this has been 39 noted on the face of the plat.
- 40 (b) The subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water 41 service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company 42 designated as having an adequate water supply by the director of water 43 resources pursuant to section 45-108.

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- 1 (c) The plat was approved pursuant to an exemption authorized by 2 section 9-463.01, subsection K, pursuant to an exemption authorized by 3 section 11-823, subsection B, paragraph 1, pursuant to an exemption 4 granted by the director of water resources under section 45-108.02 and the 5 exemption has not expired or pursuant to an exemption granted by the 6 director under section 45-108.03. If the plat was approved pursuant to an 7 authorized exemption, the state real estate commissioner shall require 8 that all promotional material and contracts for the sale of lots in the 9 subdivision adequately display the following:
- 10 (i) The director of water resources' report or the developer's 11 brief summary of the report as approved by the commissioner on the 12 proposed water supply for the subdivision.
- (ii) A statement describing the exemption under which the subdivision was approved, including the specific conditions of the exemption that were met. If the plat was approved by the legislative body of a city or town pursuant to an exemption authorized by section 9-463.01, subsection K or by the board of supervisors of a county pursuant to an exemption authorized by section 11-823, subsection B, paragraph 1, the subdivider shall record the document required by section 33-406.
- (d) The subdivision received final plat approval from the city, town or county before the requirement for an adequate water supply became effective in the city, town or county, and there have been no material changes to the plat since the final plat approval. If changes were made to the plat after the final plat approval, the director of water resources shall determine whether the changes are material pursuant to the rules adopted by the director to implement section 45-108. If this subdivision applies, the state real estate commissioner shall require that all promotional materials and contracts for the sale of lots in the subdivision adequately display the director of water resources' report or the developer's brief summary of the report as approved by the commissioner on the proposed water supply for the subdivision.
- 2. If the subdivision is not located in a county that has adopted 33 the provision authorized by section 11-823, subsection A or in a city or 34 town that has enacted an ordinance pursuant to section 9-463.01, 35 subsection 0, and if the director of water resources, pursuant to section 36 45-108, reports an inadequate on-site supply of water to meet the needs 37 projected by the developer or if no water is available, the state real 38 estate commissioner shall require that all promotional material and 39 contracts for the sale of lots in subdivisions approved by the 40 commissioner adequately display the director of water resources' report or 41 the developer's brief summary of the report as approved by the 42 commissioner on the proposed water supply for the subdivision.
- 43 G. The commissioner may require the subdivider to supplement the 44 notice of intention to subdivide lands and may require the filing of

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1 periodic reports to update the information contained in the original 2 notice of intention to subdivide lands.

- H. The commissioner may authorize the subdivider to file as the 4 notice of intention to subdivide lands, in lieu of some or all of the 5 requirements of subsection A of this section, a copy of the statement of 6 record filed with respect to the subdivision pursuant to the federal 7 interstate land sales full disclosure act if the statement complies with 8 the requirements of the act and the regulations pertinent to the act.
- I. Neither A real estate sales contract, conveyance, lease, assignment or other instrument to transfer any interest in subdivided land nor AND any covenant or restriction affecting real property shall NOT contain any provision limiting the right of any party to appear or testify in support of or opposition to zoning changes, building permits or any other official acts affecting real property before a governmental body or official considering zoning changes, building permits or any other official acts affecting real property, whether the property is located within or outside of the boundaries of the subdivision. All contractual provisions that conflict with this subsection are declared to be contrary to public policy. Nothing contained in This subsection shall DOES NOT prohibit private restrictions on the use of any real property.
- J. Before offering subdivided lands for lease or sale, the 22 subdivider who makes any promises through any form of advertising media 23 that the subdivided lands will be exclusively a retirement community or 24 one that is limited to the residency of adults or senior citizens shall 25 include the promises in the deed restrictions affecting any interest in 26 real property within the subdivided lands.
- K. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a subdivider shall 28 IS not be required to disclose items that are over one mile from the 29 subdivision boundaries. The existence of foreign nations or tribal lands 30 shall also be disclosed if located within the one mile ONE-MILE radius of 31 the subdivision boundaries.
- 32 Sec. 4. Section 32-2183, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 33 read:

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32-2183. Subdivision public reports; denial of issuance; unlawful sales; voidable sale or lease; order prohibiting sale or lease; investigations: hearings; summary orders
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A. On examination of a subdivision, the commissioner, unless there 39 are grounds for denial, shall issue to the subdivider a public report 40 authorizing the sale or lease in this state of the lots, parcels or 41 fractional interests within the subdivision. The report shall contain the 42 data obtained in accordance with section 32-2181 and any other information 43 that the commissioner determines is necessary to implement the purposes of 44 this article. If any of the lots, parcels or fractional interests within 45 the subdivision are located within territory in the vicinity of a military

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1 airport or ancillary military facility as defined in section 28-8461, 2 under a military training route as delineated in the military training 3 route map prepared pursuant to section 37-102, in a military installation 4 or range or Arizona national guard site influence area as delineated in 5 the maps prepared pursuant to section 37-102, subsection H, paragraph 4, 6 under restricted air space as delineated in the restricted air space map 7 prepared pursuant to section 37-102 or contained in the military 8 electronics range as delineated in the military electronics range map 9 prepared pursuant to section 37-102, the report shall include, in bold 10 twelve-point font block letters on the first page of the report, the 11 statements required pursuant to section 28-8484, subsection A, section 12 32-2183.05 or section 32-2183.06 and, if the department has been provided 13 a map prepared pursuant to section 28-8484, subsection B or section 14 37-102, the report shall include a copy of the map. The military airport 15 report requirements do not require the amendment or reissuance of any 16 public report issued on or before December 31, 2001 or on or before 17 December 31 of the year in which the lots, parcels or fractional interests 18 within a subdivision become territory in the vicinity of a military 19 airport or ancillary military facility. The military training route 20 report requirements do not require the amendment or reissuance of any 21 public report issued on or before December 31, 2004. The restricted air 22 space report requirements do not require the amendment or reissuance of 23 any public report issued on or before December 31, 2006. The military 24 electronics range report requirements do not require the amendment or 25 reissuance of any public report issued on or before December 31, 2008. 26 A Military installation or range or Arizona national guard site report 27 requirements do not require the amendment or reissuance of any public 28 report issued on or before December 31, 2024. The commissioner shall 29 require the subdivider to reproduce the report, make the report available 30 to each initial prospective customer and furnish each initial buyer or 31 lessee with a copy before the buyer or lessee signs any offer to purchase 32 or lease, taking a receipt therefor.

- B. This section does not require a public report issued sixty or 34 fewer days before the filing of the military electronics range map or the 35 military installation or range or Arizona national guard site influence 36 area map prepared pursuant to section 37-102 to meet the military 37 electronics range or military installation or range or Arizona national 38 guard site notification requirements of this section.
- C. A public report issued sixty-one or more days after the filing 40 of the military electronics range map or the military installation or 41 range or Arizona national guard site influence area map prepared pursuant 42 to section 37-102 shall meet all of the requirements of subsection A of 43 this section.

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- D. Notwithstanding subsection A of this section, a subdivider may elect to prepare a final public report for use in the sale of improved lots as defined in section 32-2101, as follows:
- 1. The subdivider shall prepare the public report and provide a 5 copy of the report to the commissioner with the submission of the 6 notification required by sections 32-2181 and 32-2184 and shall comply 7 with all other requirements of this article.
- 8 2. An initial filing fee of \$500 or an amended filing fee of \$250 9 shall accompany the notification required by paragraph 1 of this 10 subsection.
- 11 3. The department shall assign a registration number to each 12 notification and public report submitted pursuant to this subsection and 13 shall maintain a database of all of these submissions. The subdivider 14 shall place the number on each public report.
- 4. On receipt of the notification and public report, the department shall review and issue within ten business days either a certification that the notification and public report are administratively complete or a denial letter if it appears that the application or project is not in compliance with all legal requirements, that the applicant has a background of violations of state or federal law or that the applicant or project presents an unnecessary risk of harm to the public. If the commissioner has received the notification and public report but has not issued a certification or a denial letter within ten business days pursuant to this paragraph, the notification and public report are administratively complete.
- 5. A subdivider may commence sales or leasing activities as permitted ALLOWED under this article after obtaining a certificate of administrative completeness from the commissioner.
- 6. Before or after the commissioner issues a certificate of administrative completeness or, if applicable, after the notification and public report are deemed to be administratively complete pursuant to paragraph 4 of this subsection, the department may examine any public report, subdivision or applicant that has applied for or received the certificate. If the commissioner determines that the subdivider or subdivision is not in compliance with any requirement of state law or that grounds exist under this chapter to suspend, deny or revoke a public report, the commissioner may commence an administrative action under section 32-2154 or 32-2157. If the subdivider immediately corrects the deficiency and comes into full compliance with state law, the commissioner shall vacate any action that the commissioner may have commenced pursuant to section 32-2154 or 32-2157.
- 7. The department shall provide forms and guidelines for the submission of the notification and public report pursuant to this section.
- 44 E. The commissioner may suspend, revoke or deny issuance of a 45 public report on any of the following grounds:

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- 1. Failure to comply with this article or the rules of the 2 commissioner pertaining to this article.
- 3 2. The sale or lease would constitute misrepresentation to or 4 deceit or fraud of the purchasers or lessees.
  - 3. Inability to deliver title or other interest contracted for.
- 4. Inability to demonstrate that adequate financial or other arrangements acceptable to the commissioner have been made for completion 8 of all streets, sewers, electric, gas and water utilities, drainage and 9 flood control facilities, community and recreational facilities and other 10 improvements included in the offering.
- 5. Failure to make a showing that the lots, parcels or fractional latin interests can be used for the purpose for which they are offered.
- 13 6. The owner, agent, subdivider, officer, director or partner, 14 subdivider trust beneficiary holding ten percent or more direct or 15 indirect beneficial interest or, if a corporation, any stockholder owning 16 ten percent or more of the stock in the corporation has:
- 17 (a) Been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving fraud or 18 dishonesty or involving conduct of any business or a transaction in real 19 estate, cemetery property, timeshare intervals or membership camping 20 campgrounds or contracts.
- (b) Been permanently or temporarily enjoined by order, judgment or 22 decree from engaging in or continuing any conduct or practice in 23 connection with the sale or purchase of real estate or cemetery property, 24 timeshare intervals, membership camping contracts or campgrounds, or 25 securities or involving consumer fraud or the racketeering laws of this 26 state.
- 27 (c) Had an administrative order entered against the person by a 28 real estate regulatory agency or security regulatory agency.
- 29 (d) Had an adverse decision or judgment entered against the person 30 involving fraud or dishonesty or involving the conduct of any business or 31 transaction in real estate, cemetery property, timeshare intervals or 32 membership camping campgrounds or contracts.
- 33 (e) Disregarded or violated this chapter or the rules of the 34 commissioner pertaining to this chapter.
- 35 (f) Controlled an entity to which subdivision (b), (c), (d) or (e) 36 OF THIS PARAGRAPH applies.
- 7. Procurement or an attempt to procure a public report by fraud, 38 misrepresentation or deceit or by filing an application for a public 39 report that is materially false or misleading.
- 8. Failure of the declaration for a condominium created pursuant to title 33, chapter 9, article 2 to comply with the requirements of section 33-1215 or failure of the plat for the condominium to comply with the requirements of section 33-1219. The commissioner may require an applicant for a public report to submit a notarized statement signed by the subdivider or an engineer or attorney licensed to practice in this

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1 state certifying that the condominium plat and declaration of condominium 2 are in compliance with the requirements of sections 33-1215 and 33-1219. If the notarized statement is provided, the commissioner is 4 entitled to rely on this statement.

- 9. Failure of any blanket encumbrance or valid supplementary agreement executed by the holder of the blanket encumbrance to contain provisions that enable the purchaser to acquire title to a lot or parcel free of the lien of the blanket encumbrance, on completion of all payments and performance of all of the terms and provisions required to be made or performed by the purchaser under the real estate sales contract by which the purchaser has acquired the lot or parcel. The subdivider shall file copies of documents acceptable to the commissioner containing these provisions with the commissioner before the sale of any subdivision lot or parcel subject to a blanket encumbrance.
- 15 10. Failure to demonstrate permanent access to the subdivision lots 16 or parcels.
  - 11. The use of the lots presents an unreasonable health risk.
- 18 F. It is unlawful for a subdivider to sell any lot in a subdivision 19 unless one of the following occurs:
  - 1. All proposed or promised subdivision improvements are completed.
- 2. The completion of all proposed or promised subdivision 22 improvements is assured by financial arrangements acceptable to the 23 commissioner. The financial arrangements may be made in phases for common 24 community and recreation facilities required by a municipality or county 25 as a stipulation for approval of a plan for a master planned community.
- 26 3. The municipal or county government agrees to prohibit occupancy 27 and the subdivider agrees not to close escrow for lots in the subdivision 28 until all proposed or promised subdivision improvements are completed.
- 4. The municipal or county government enters into an assurance agreement with any trustee not to convey lots until improvements are completed within the portion of the subdivision containing these lots, if the improvements can be used and maintained separately from the improvements required for the entire subdivision plat. The agreement shall be recorded in the county in which the subdivision is located.
- 35 G. If the subdivision is within an active management area, as 36 defined in section 45-402, the commissioner shall deny issuance of a 37 public report or the use of any exemption pursuant to section 32-2181.02, 38 subsection B unless the subdivider has been issued a certificate of 39 assured water supply by the director of water resources and has paid all 40 applicable fees pursuant to sections 48-3772 and 48-3774.01, or unless the 41 subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the 42 subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as 43 having an assured water supply by the director of water resources pursuant 44 to section 45-576 or is exempt from the requirement pursuant to section 45-576.

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- H. In areas outside of INITIAL active management areas, if the subdivision is located in a county that has adopted the provision authorized by section 11-823, subsection A or in a city or town that has enacted an ordinance pursuant to section 9-463.01, subsection 0, the commissioner shall deny issuance of a public report or the use of any exemption pursuant to section 32-2181.02, subsection B unless one of the following applies:
- 8 1. The director of water resources has reported pursuant to section 9 45-108 that the subdivision has an adequate water supply.
- 10 2. The subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water 11 service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company 12 designated as having an adequate water supply by the director of water 13 resources pursuant to section 45-108.
- The plat was approved pursuant to an exemption authorized by section 9-463.01, subsection K, pursuant to an exemption authorized by section 11-823, subsection B, paragraph 1, pursuant to an exemption granted by the director of water resources under section 45-108.02 and the exemption has not expired or pursuant to an exemption granted by the director of water resources under section 45-108.03.
- 4. The subdivision received final plat approval from the city, town county before the requirement for an adequate water supply became effective in the city, town or county, and there have been no material changes to the plat since the final plat approval. If changes were made to the plat after the final plat approval, the director of water resources shall determine whether the changes are material pursuant to the rules adopted by the director to implement section 45-108.
- I. A subdivider shall not sell or lease or offer for sale or lease 28 in this state any lots, parcels or fractional interests in a subdivision 29 without first obtaining a public report from the commissioner except as 30 provided in section 32-2181.01 or 32-2181.02, and a certificate of 31 administrative completeness issued pursuant to this section. Unless 32 exempt, the sale or lease of subdivided lands before issuance of the 33 public report or failure to deliver the public report to the purchaser or 34 lessee shall render the sale or lease rescindable by the purchaser or 35 lessee. An action by the purchaser or lessee to rescind the transaction 36 shall be brought within three years after the date of execution of the 37 purchase or lease agreement by the purchaser or lessee. In any rescission 38 action, the prevailing party is entitled to reasonable attorney fees as 39 determined by the court.
- J. On a print advertisement in a magazine or newspaper or on an 41 internet advertisement that advertises a specific lot or parcel of a 42 subdivider, the subdivider shall include a disclosure stating that "a 43 public report is available on the state real estate department's website".

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- K. Any applicant objecting to the denial of a public report, within thirty days after receipt of the order of denial, may file a written request for a hearing. The commissioner shall hold the hearing within twenty days after receipt of the request for a hearing unless the party requesting the hearing has requested a postponement. If the hearing is not held within twenty days after a request for a hearing is received, plus the period of any postponement, or if a proposed decision is not rendered within forty-five days after submission, the order of denial shall be rescinded and a public report issued.
- L. On the commissioner's own motion, or when the commissioner has received a complaint and has satisfactory evidence that the subdivider or the subdivider's agent is violating this article or the rules of the commissioner or has engaged in any unlawful practice as defined in section 44-1522 with respect to the sale of subdivided lands or deviated from the provisions of the public report, the commissioner may investigate the subdivision project and examine the books and records of the subdivider. For the purpose of examination, the subdivider shall keep and maintain records of all sales transactions and funds received by the subdivider pursuant to the sales transactions and shall make them accessible to the commissioner on reasonable notice and demand.
- M. On the commissioner's own motion, or when the commissioner has 22 received a complaint and has satisfactory evidence that any person has 23 violated this article or the rules of the commissioner or has engaged in 24 any unlawful practice as defined in section 44-1522 with respect to the 25 sale of subdivided lands or deviated from the provisions of the public 26 report or special order of exemption, or has been indicted for fraud or 27 against whom an information for fraud has been filed or has been convicted 28 of a felony, before or after the commissioner issues the public report as 29 provided in subsection A of this section, the commissioner may conduct an 30 investigation of the matter, issue a summary order as provided in section 31 32-2157, or provide notice and hold a public hearing and, after the 32 hearing, may issue the order or orders the commissioner deems necessary to 33 protect the public interest and ensure compliance with the law, rules or 34 public report or the commissioner may bring action in any court of 35 competent jurisdiction against the person to enjoin the person from 36 continuing the violation or engaging in or doing any act or acts in 37 furtherance of the violation. The court may make orders or judgments, 38 including the appointment of a receiver, THAT ARE necessary to prevent the 39 use or employment by a person of any unlawful practices, or which THAT may 40 be necessary to restore to any person in interest any monies or property, 41 real or personal, that may have been acquired by means of any practice in 42 this article declared to be unlawful.

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- N. When it appears to the commissioner that a person has engaged in 2 or is engaging in a practice declared to be unlawful by this article and 3 that the person is concealing assets or self or has made arrangements to 4 conceal assets or is about to leave the state, the commissioner may apply 5 to the superior court, ex parte, for an order appointing a receiver of the 6 assets of the person or for a writ of ne exeat, or both.
- 7 O. The court, on receipt of an application for the appointment of a 8 receiver or for a writ of ne exeat, or both, shall examine the verified 9 application of the commissioner and other evidence that the commissioner 10 may present the court. If satisfied that the interests of the public 11 require the appointment of a receiver or the issuance of a writ of ne 12 exeat without notice, the court shall issue an order appointing the 13 receiver or issue the writ, or both. If the court determines that the 14 interests of the public will not be harmed by the giving of notice, the 15 court shall set a time for a hearing and require notice be given as the 16 court deems satisfactory.
- P. If the court appoints a receiver without notice, the court shall last further direct that a copy of the order appointing a receiver be served on the person engaged in or engaging in a practice declared to be unlawful under this article by delivering the order to the last address of the person that is on file with the state real estate department. The order shall inform the person that the person has the right to request a hearing within ten days after the date of the order and, if requested, the hearing shall be held within thirty days after the date of the order.
- Sec. 5. Section 32-2197.08, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 26 read:

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32-2197.08. <u>Issuance of public report and amended public report by commissioner on timeshare plan: denial of issuance; additional information; use of another state's public report</u>
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- A. On examination of a timeshare plan, the commissioner, unless there are grounds for denial, shall approve for use by the developer a public report authorizing the sale or lease of the timeshare interests within the timeshare plan. For all timeshare interests sold in this state, the commissioner shall require the developer to reproduce the public report and furnish each prospective customer with a copy, taking a receipt for each copy. The public report shall be made available to each prospective purchaser in written format either by electronic means or in the public report shall include the following:
  - 1. The name and principal address of the owner and developer.
  - 2. A description of the type of timeshare interests being offered.
- 42 3. A description of the existing and proposed accommodations and 43 amenities of the timeshare plan, including type and number, any use 44 restrictions and any required fees for use.

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- 4. A description of any accommodations and amenities that are 2 committed to be built, including:
- 3 (a) The developer's schedule of commencement and completion of all 4 accommodations and amenities.
- 5 (b) The estimated number of accommodations per site that may become 6 subject to the timeshare plan.
- 7 5. A brief description of the duration, phases and operation of the 8 timeshare plan.
- 9 6. The current annual budget if available or the projected annual 10 budget for the timeshare plan. The budget shall include:
- 11 (a) A statement of the amount or a statement that there is no 12 amount included in the budget as a reserve for repairs and replacement.
- 13 (b) The projected common expense liability, if any, by category of 14 expenditures for the timeshare plan.
- 15 (c) A statement of any services or expenses that are not reflected 16 in the budget and that the developer provides or pays.
- 7. A description of any liens, defects or encumbrances on or la affecting the title to the timeshare interests.
- 8. A statement that by midnight of the tenth calendar day after execution of the purchase agreement a purchaser may cancel any purchase agreement for a timeshare interest from a developer together with a 22 statement providing the name and street address where the purchaser should 23 mail any notice of cancellation. If, by agreement of the parties through 24 the purchase agreement, the purchase agreement allows for cancellation of 25 the purchase agreement for a period of time exceeding ten calendar days, 26 the public report shall include a statement that the cancellation of the 27 purchase agreement is allowed for that period of time exceeding ten 28 calendar days.
- 9. A description of any bankruptcies, pending suits, adjudications or disciplinary actions material to the timeshare interests of which the developer has knowledge.
- 32 10. Any restrictions on alienation of any number or portion of any 33 timeshare interests.
- 34 11. Any current or expected fees or charges to be paid by timeshare 35 purchasers for the use of any amenities related to the timeshare plan.
- 36 12. The extent to which financial arrangements have been provided 37 for completion of all promised improvements.
- 38 13. If the timeshare plan provides purchasers with the opportunity 39 to participate in any exchange programs, a description of the name and 40 address of the exchange companies and the method by which a purchaser 41 accesses the exchange programs.
- 42 14. Any other information that the developer, with the approval of 43 the commissioner, desires to include in the public report.

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- 1 15. If the developer is offering a multisite timeshare plan, the 2 following information, which may be disclosed in a written, graphic or 3 tabular form:
- 4 (a) A description of each component site, including the name and 5 address of each component site.
- 6 (b) The number of accommodations and timeshare periods, expressed 7 in periods of use availability, committed to the multisite timeshare plan 8 and available for use by purchasers.
- 9 (c) Each type of accommodation in terms of the number of bedrooms, 10 bathrooms and sleeping capacity and a statement of whether or not the 11 accommodation contains a full kitchen. For the purposes of this 12 subdivision, "full kitchen" means a kitchen having a minimum of a 13 dishwasher, range, oven, sink and refrigerator.
- (d) A description of amenities available for use by the purchaser 15 at each component site.
- 16 (e) A description of the reservation system, including the 17 following:
  - (i) The entity responsible for operating the reservation system.
- 19 (ii) A summary of the rules governing access to and use of the 20 reservation system.
- 21 (iii) The existence of and an explanation regarding any priority 22 reservation features that affect a purchaser's ability to make 23 reservations for the use of a given accommodation on a first-reserved, 24 first-served basis.
- 25 (f) A description of any right to make any additions, substitutions 26 or deletions of accommodations or amenities and a description of the basis 27 on which accommodations and amenities may be added to, substituted in or 28 deleted from the multisite timeshare plan.
- 29 (g) A description of the purchaser's liability for any fees 30 associated with the multisite timeshare plan.
- 31 (h) The location and the anticipated relative use demand of each 32 component site in a multisite timeshare plan as well as any periodic 33 adjustment or amendment to the reservation system that may be needed in 34 order to respond to actual purchaser use patterns and changes in purchaser 35 use demand for the accommodations existing at the time within the 36 multisite timeshare plan.
- 37 (i) Any other information reasonably required by the commissioner 38 or established by rule that is necessary for the protection of purchasers 39 of timeshare interests in timeshare plans.
- 40 (j) Any other information that the developer, with the approval of 41 the commissioner, desires to include in the public report.
- 42 16. If a developer offers a nonspecific timeshare interest in a 43 multisite timeshare plan, the information set forth in paragraphs 1 44 through 14 of this subsection as to each component site.

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- 1 17. Any other information that the commissioner determines or 2 establishes by rule is necessary to implement the purpose of this article.
- B. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the 4 requirements prescribed by subsection A of this section apply to a 5 developer's application for approval to use an amended public report for 6 the sale of timeshare interests in a timeshare plan, including an amended 7 public report to disclose and address a material change under section 8 32-2197.04. A developer may elect to prepare an amended public report for 9 use in the sale of timeshare interests as follows:
- 10 1. The developer shall prepare the amended public report and 11 provide a copy of the report to the commissioner with the submission of 12 the application for an amended public report, including any notification 13 required by section 32-2197.04, and shall comply with all other 14 requirements of this article.
- 2. An amendment filing fee established pursuant to section 32-2197.07 shall accompany the application prescribed by paragraph 1 of this subsection.
- 3. On receipt of the application and amended public report, the department shall review and, within fifteen business days if the amendment adds less than six new component sites to the timeshare plan or within thirty calendar days if the amendment adds six or more new component sites to the timeshare plan, issue either a certification that the application and amended public report are administratively complete or a denial letter if it appears that the application, amended public report or timeshare plan is not in compliance with all legal requirements, that the applicant has a background of violations of state or federal law or that the applicant or timeshare plan presents an unnecessary risk of harm to the public. If the commissioner has received the application and amended public report but has not issued a certification or a denial letter within the required time period, the application and amended public report are deemed administratively complete.
- 32 4. The developer may commence sales or leasing activities as 33 allowed under this article using an amended public report when the 34 commissioner issues a certification of administrative completeness or as 35 of the date the application and amended public report are deemed 36 administratively complete pursuant to paragraph 3 of this subsection. The 37 certification may be issued on paper or electronically.
- 5. Before or after the commissioner issues a certification of administrative completeness or, if applicable, after the application and amended public report are deemed to be administratively complete pursuant to paragraph 3 of this subsection, the department may examine any public report, timeshare plan or applicant that has applied for or received the certification. If the commissioner determines that the public report, timeshare plan or applicant is not in compliance with any requirement of state law or that grounds exist under this chapter to suspend, deny or

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1 revoke a public report, the commissioner may commence an administrative 2 action under section 32-2154, 32-2157 or 32-2197.14. If the developer 3 immediately corrects the deficiency and fully complies with state law, the 4 commissioner shall promptly vacate any action that the commissioner may 5 have commenced pursuant to section 32-2154, 32-2157 or 32-2197.14.

- 6. The department shall provide forms and guidelines for the 7 submission of the application and amended public report pursuant to this 8 subsection.
- 9 C. In the event of denial, suspension or revocation, grounds shall 10 be set forth in writing at the time of denial, suspension or 11 revocation. The commissioner may deny, suspend or revoke the public 12 report on any of the following grounds:
- 13 1. Failure to comply with this article or the rules of the 14 commissioner pertaining to this article.
- 15 2. The sale or lease would constitute misrepresentation to or 16 deceit or fraud of the purchasers or lessees.
- 3. Inability to demonstrate that adequate financial or other last arrangements acceptable to the commissioner have been made for completion of the timeshare property, installation of all streets, sewers, electric, 20 gas and water utilities, drainage, flood control and other similar improvements included in the offering.
- 4. The developer, including if an entity, an officer, director, manager, partner, owner, trust beneficiary holding ten percent or 4 more beneficial interest, stockholder owning ten percent or more of the 55 stock or other person exercising control of the entity, has:
- 26 (a) Been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving theft, 27 fraud or dishonesty or involving the conduct of any business or a 28 transaction in real estate, cemetery property, timeshare interests or 29 membership camping campgrounds or contracts.
- 30 (b) Been permanently or temporarily enjoined by order, judgment or 31 decree from engaging in or continuing any conduct or practice in 32 connection with the sale or purchase of real estate, cemetery property, 33 timeshare interests, membership camping campgrounds or contracts, or 34 securities or involving consumer fraud or the Arizona racketeering laws OF 35 THIS STATE.
- 36 (c) Had an administrative order entered against him by a real 37 estate regulatory agency or securities regulatory agency.
- 38 (d) Had an adverse decision or judgment entered against him 39 involving fraud or dishonesty or involving the conduct of any business in 40 or a transaction in real estate, cemetery property, timeshare interests or 41 membership camping campgrounds or contracts.
- 42 (e) Disregarded or violated this chapter or the rules of the 43 commissioner pertaining to this chapter.

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- 1 (f) Participated in, operated or held an interest in any entity to 2 which subdivision (b), (c), (d), or (e) of this paragraph applies.
- 5. If within this state, the timeshare property is incompatible 4 with the existing neighborhood and would introduce into a neighborhood a 5 character of property or use that would clearly be detrimental to property 6 values in that neighborhood.
- D. If the timeshare property is within an active management area, 8 as defined in section 45-402, the commissioner shall deny issuance of a 9 public report unless the developer has been issued a certificate of 10 assured water supply by the director of water resources and has paid all 11 applicable fees pursuant to sections 48-3772 and 48-3774.01, or unless the 12 developer has obtained a written commitment of water service for the 13 timeshare property from a city, town or private water company designated 14 as having an assured water supply by the director of water resources 15 pursuant to section 45-576.
- 16 E. In areas outside of INITIAL active management areas, if the 17 timeshare property is located in a county that has adopted the provision 18 authorized by section 11-823, subsection A or in a city or town that has 19 enacted an ordinance pursuant to section 9-463.01, subsection 0, the 20 commissioner shall deny issuance of a public report unless one of the 21 following applies:
- 1. The director of water resources has reported pursuant to section 45-108 that the timeshare property has an adequate water supply.
- 24 2. The developer has obtained a written commitment of water service 25 for the timeshare property from a city, town or private water company 26 designated as having an adequate water supply by the director of water 27 resources pursuant to section 45-108.
- 3. The timeshare property was approved pursuant to an exemption 29 authorized by section 9-463.01, subsection K, pursuant to an exemption 30 authorized by section 11-823, subsection B, paragraph 1, pursuant to an 31 exemption granted by the director of water resources under section 32 45-108.02 and the exemption has not expired or pursuant to an exemption 33 granted by the director of water resources under section 45-108.03.
- 4. The subdivision received final plat approval from the city, town or county before the requirement for an adequate water supply became effective in the city, town or county, and there have been no material changes to the plat since the final plat approval. If changes were made to the plat after the final plat approval, the director of water resources shall determine whether the changes are material pursuant to the rules adopted by the director to implement section 45-108.
- F. In addition to providing to each prospective customer a copy of 42 the public report as required in subsection A of this section, the 43 developer shall also provide to each customer before the close of any 44 transaction information and materials that identify any timeshare exchange 45 companies currently under contract and disclosure statements regarding the

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1 use of the timeshare exchange companies, as well as any additional 2 information the commissioner deems appropriate.

G. The commissioner may authorize for use in this state by a 4 developer of a timeshare plan in which all accommodations are located 5 outside of this state a current public report that is issued by another 6 jurisdiction or an equivalent registration and disclosure document that is 7 required before offering a timeshare plan for sale, lease or use and that 8 is issued by another jurisdiction. This authorization does not constitute 9 an exemption from other applicable requirements of this article.

10 Sec. 6. Section 45–108, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 11 read:

#### 45-108. Evaluation of subdivision water supply; definition

- A. In areas outside of INITIAL active management areas established 14 pursuant to chapter 2, article 2 of this title, the developer of a 15 proposed subdivision including dry lot subdivisions, regardless of 16 subdivided lot size, prior to recordation of BEFORE RECORDING the plat, 17 shall submit plans for the water supply for the subdivision and 18 demonstrate the adequacy of the water supply to meet the needs projected 19 by the developer to the director. The director shall evaluate the plans 20 and issue a report on the plans.
- B. The director shall evaluate the proposed source of water for the 22 subdivision to determine whether there is an adequate water supply for the 23 subdivision, and shall forward a copy of the director's report to the 24 state real estate commissioner and the city, town or county responsible 25 for platting the subdivision.
- C. The director may designate cities, towns and private water 27 companies as having an adequate water supply by reporting that designation 28 to the water department of the city or town or private water company and 29 the state real estate commissioner.
- D. As an alternative to designation under subsection C of this 31 section, the director may designate a city or town that has entered into a 32 contract with the United States secretary of the interior or a county 33 water authority established pursuant to chapter 13 of this title for 34 permanent supplies of Colorado river water for municipal and industrial 35 use as having an adequate water supply if all of the following apply:
- 36 1. The city or town has entered into a contract with each private 37 water company that serves water within the city or town to provide 38 Colorado river water to those private water companies.
- 2. The Colorado river water for which the city or town has 40 contracted is sufficient together with other water supplies available to 41 the city or town and the private water companies that serve water within 42 that city or town to provide an adequate supply of water for the city or 43 town.

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- 3. The director finds that new subdivisions within the city or town will be served primarily with Colorado river water by the city or town or one of the private water companies that serve water within that city or 4 town.
- 5 E. The director shall not require a developer to submit plans for 6 the water supply pursuant to subsection A of this section if either:
  - 1. Both of the following apply:
- 8 (a) The developer has obtained a written commitment of water 9 service from cities, towns or private water companies that have been 10 designated as having an adequate water supply.
- 11 (b) That city, town or private water company has been designated as 12 having an adequate water supply pursuant to subsection C of this section.
  - 2. All of the following apply:
- 14 (a) The city or town has been designated as having an adequate 15 water supply pursuant to subsection D of this section.
- 16 (b) The developer has obtained a written commitment of water 17 service from the city or town or a private water company that serves water 18 within that city or town.
- 19 (c) The developer has obtained the written concurrence of the city 20 or town that has been designated.
- 21 F. The director may revoke a designation made pursuant to this 22 section when the director finds that the water supply may become 23 inadequate.
- 24 G. The THIS state of Arizona and the director or department shall 25 not be liable for any report, designation or evaluation prepared in good 26 faith pursuant to this section.
- H. If the director receives written notice from the board of 28 supervisors of a county that it has adopted the provision authorized by 29 section 11-823, subsection A, the director shall give written notice of 30 the provision to the mayors of all cities and towns in the county. A city 31 or town that receives the notice shall comply with section 9-463.01, 32 subsections J, K, L, M and N.
- I. For the purposes of this section, "adequate water supply" means 34 both of the following:
- 35 1. Sufficient groundwater, surface water or effluent of adequate 36 quality will be continuously, legally and physically available to satisfy 37 the water needs of the proposed use for at least one hundred years.
- 38 2. The financial capability has been demonstrated to construct the 39 water facilities necessary to make the supply of water available for the 40 proposed use, including a delivery system and any storage facilities or 41 treatment works. The director may accept evidence of the construction 42 assurances required by section 9-463.01,  $\frac{11-823}{11-822}$  or 32-2181 to 43 satisfy this requirement.

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Sec. 7. Section 45-420, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 2 read:
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45-420. <u>Groundwater users advisory councils; appointment;</u>
representation of water users; term; removal;
recall; compensation
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- A. There shall be a groundwater users advisory council in each 7 active management area consisting of five members.
- 8 B. IN AN INITIAL ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, members of the council 9 shall be appointed by the governor to represent the users of groundwater 10 in the active management area and on the basis of their knowledge of, 11 interest in and experience with problems relating to the development, use 12 and conservation of water.
- 13 C. IN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL 14 SHALL BE:
  - 1. GROUNDWATER USERS IN THE SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA.
  - 2. RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.
- 17 3. APPOINTED BY THE UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF 18 SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE MAJORITY OF THE ACRES IN THE 19 SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA ARE LOCATED TO REPRESENT THE USERS OF 20 GROUNDWATER IN THE SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AND ON THE BASIS OF 21 THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF, INTEREST IN AND EXPERIENCE WITH PROBLEMS RELATING TO 22 THE DEVELOPMENT, USE AND CONSERVATION OF WATER.
- B. D. The term of office of each member is six years. The terms 24 of two members shall expire on the third Monday of January each even 25 numbered EVEN-NUMBERED year, except that each third even numbered 26 EVEN-NUMBERED year the term of one member shall expire.
- 27 C. E. Members of the council shall serve without compensation, 28 except that each member shall be reimbursed for travel and subsistence 29 while engaged in business of the council in the same manner as is provided 30 by law for state officers.
- F. IF A COUNCIL MEMBER POSITION IS VACATED, THE APPOINTING ALL AUTHORITY SHALL APPOINT A NEW MEMBER. IN AN INITIAL ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA A COUNCIL MEMBER MAY BE REMOVED ONLY FOR CAUSE. IN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA A COUNCIL MEMBER MAY BE REMOVED FOR CAUSE OR BY RECALL ELECTION AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION G OF THIS SECTION. A COUNCIL MEMBER WHO IS REMOVED OR RECALLED FROM OFFICE IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT ON ANY GROUNDWATER USERS ADVISORY COUNCIL.
- 38 G. IN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA A COUNCIL MEMBER SHALL BE 39 SUBJECT TO RECALL CONSISTENT WITH THE PROCEDURE PRESCRIBED IN TITLE 19, 40 CHAPTER 2. THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED ELECTORS NECESSARY TO PETITION TO HOLD 41 A RECALL ELECTION SHALL BE EQUAL TO TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE VOTES CAST 42 FOR ALL CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR IN THE SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AT THE 43 GENERAL ELECTION LAST PRECEDING THE FILING OF ANY RECALL PETITION. IF A 44 RECALL ELECTION IS HELD AND ONE OR MORE OTHER CANDIDATES FILE A NOMINATION 45 PETITION FOR THE COUNCIL MEMBER POSITION AS PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 19-212,

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1 THE CANDIDATE THAT RECEIVES THE LARGEST NUMBER OF VOTES SHALL SERVE THE 2 REMAINDER OF THE TERM, AND THE COUNCIL MEMBER POSITION REMAINS AS AN 3 APPOINTED OFFICE, SUBJECT TO REMOVAL FOR CAUSE.

Sec. 8. Section 45-421, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 5 read:

### 45-421. Administrative duties of the groundwater users advisory councils

The EACH groundwater users advisory council shall:

- 9 1. Advise the area director for the active management area, make 10 recommendations on groundwater management programs and policies for the 11 active management area and comment to the area director and to the 12 director on draft management plans for the active management area before 13 they are promulgated ADOPTED by the director.
- 2. Keep the minutes of its meetings and all records, reports and 15 other information relative to its work and programs in permanent form 16 indexed and systematically filed.
- 3. Elect from its members a chairman CHAIRPERSON and vice-chairman 18 VICE CHAIRPERSON for terms of two years expiring on the third Monday of 19 January of each even numbered EVEN-NUMBERED year.
- 4. Designate the person or persons who shall execute all documents and instruments on behalf of the council.
- 5. Manifest and record its actions by motion, resolution or other appropriate means.
- 6. Make a complete record of its proceedings which shall be open to public inspection during regular business hours in the branch office of the department in the active management area.
- 7. Provide comment to the Arizona water banking authority with 28 regard to draft plans for additional storage facilities and draft plans of 29 operation in accordance with sections 45-2453 and 45-2456.
- 30 8. IN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, ADOPT A MANAGEMENT GOAL 31 AND MANAGEMENT PLAN PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-569.
- 32 Sec. 9. Section 45-452, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 33 read:

### 45-452. <u>No new irrigated acreage in active management areas:</u> central Arizona project water; exemption

A. In an initial active management area, except as provided in 37 subsections B, H, I and J of this section and sections 45-172, 45-465.01 38 and 45-465.02, only acres of land which were legally irrigated at any time 39 from January 1, 1975 through January 1, 1980, which are capable of being 40 irrigated, which have not been retired from irrigation for a 41 non-irrigation use pursuant to section 45-463 or 45-469 and for which the 42 irrigation grandfathered right has not been conveyed for a non-irrigation 43 use, may be irrigated with any groundwater, effluent, diffused water on 44 the surface or surface water, except that this does not prohibit 45 irrigation with surface water used pursuant to decreed or appropriative

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1 rights established before June 12, 1980. In an initial active management 2 area, land which was not irrigated at any time from January 1, 1975 3 through January 1, 1980 is deemed to have been in irrigation if the 4 director finds that either of the following applies:

- 1. In areas of an initial active management area not designated as 6 critical groundwater areas under prior statutory law prior to BEFORE the 7 date of the designation of the active management area, land is deemed to 8 have been in irrigation if substantial capital investment has been made 9 for the subjugation of such land for an irrigation use including on-site 10 irrigation distribution facilities and a well or wells the drilling and 11 construction of which were substantially commenced prior to BEFORE the 12 date of the designation of the active management area.
- 2. In areas of an initial active management area which were designated as critical groundwater areas under prior statutory law, land is deemed to have been in irrigation if substantial capital investment has been made in the twelve months before June 12, 1980 for the improvement of the land and on-site irrigation distribution facilities, including the drilling of wells, for an irrigation use. This paragraph does not allow irrigation of land which could not have been legally irrigated under prior statutory law.
- B. In an initial active management area, a person who owns acres of 22 land which may be irrigated pursuant to subsection A of this section may 23 apply to the director to permanently retire all or a portion of such acres 24 from irrigation and to irrigate conjunctively with central Arizona project 25 water the same number of substitute acres. The director may approve the 26 substitution of acres if the director determines that all of the following 27 exist:
- 28 1. The substitute acres were legally irrigated during the period of 29 September 30, 1958 to September 30, 1968, or such other period as the 30 United States secretary of the interior may designate.
- 2. The acres to be retired from irrigation and the substitute acres are located outside of the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town or private water company and such acres are located within the same irrigation district and the same sub-basin SUBBASIN.
- 35 3. The substitution of acres is necessary to enable the irrigation 36 district within which the acres are located to more efficiently deliver 37 central Arizona project water.
- 38 4. Central Arizona project water available to the irrigation 39 district within which the acres are located will be adequate to supply the 40 substitute acres.
- 5. The substitution of acres will benefit the management of the active management area in which the acres are located.
- 43 C. Any acres permanently retired from irrigation pursuant to 44 subsection B of this section relinquish their irrigation grandfathered 45 rights, and such rights are deemed to be appurtenant to the substitute

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1 acres. Groundwater withdrawn or received for the irrigation of the 2 substitute acres pursuant to an irrigation grandfathered right shall be 3 reduced by the amount of central Arizona project water received for such 4 acres.

- D. The service area of the irrigation district in which the acres are located shall be modified to permanently delete the acres permanently retired from irrigation and include the substitute acres.
- 8 E. If a person retires land from irrigation pursuant to subsection 9 B of this section, groundwater shall not be withdrawn from such retired 10 land for any purpose unless pursuant to a groundwater withdrawal permit or 11 unless withdrawn by a city, town or private water company within the 12 service area of such city, town or private water company.
- 13 F. The director may reverse the substitution of irrigated acres as 14 provided by subsections B through E of this section under the following 15 conditions and procedures:
- 1. Title to the retired acres and substitute acres has reverted 17 involuntarily, or voluntarily in lieu of foreclosure or forfeiture, to a 18 previous owner or owners of the retired and substitute acres.
- 19 2. The current owner of the retired acres must apply to the 20 director in writing stating:
- 21 (a) The history of the original substitution of acres under 22 subsections B through E of this section.
- 23 (b) The circumstances regarding the reversion of title to the 24 current owner or owners.
  - (c) Why reversal of the substitution of acres is necessary.
  - 3. The director must find that reversing the substitution of acres:
  - (a) Will benefit the management of the active management area.
- 28 (b) Is necessary to prevent unreasonable hardship to the current 29 owner of the retired acres.
- 30 (c) Will not cause unreasonable hardship to the current owner of 31 the substitute acres, if owned separately from the retired acres.
  - 4. If the director decides to reverse the substitution of acres:
- 33 (a) The originally retired irrigation acres regain their original 34 irrigation grandfathered rights, but groundwater withdrawn or received for 35 the irrigation of those acres pursuant to an irrigation grandfathered 36 right shall be reduced by any amount of central Arizona project water 37 received for such acres.
- 38 (b) The substitute acres relinquish all irrigation grandfathered 39 rights that were transferred to them under the original substitution of 40 acres.
- 41 (c) The service area of the irrigation district in which the acres 42 are located shall be modified to delete the substitute acres and include 43 the originally retired irrigation acres.

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- 1 (d) Groundwater may not thereafter be withdrawn from the substitute 2 acres for any purpose unless pursuant to a groundwater withdrawal permit 3 or unless withdrawn by a city, town or private water company within its 4 service area.
- G. In a subsequent active management area, except as provided in subsections H, I and J of this section or section 45-172, only acres of land which were legally irrigated at any time during the five years preceding the date of the notice of the initiation of designation procedures or the call for the election, which are capable of being irrigated, which have not been retired from irrigation for a non-irrigation use pursuant to section 45-463 or 45-469 and for which the irrigation grandfathered right has not been conveyed for a non-irrigation use, may be irrigated with groundwater, effluent, diffused water on the surface or surface water, except that this does not prohibit irrigation with surface water used pursuant to decreed or appropriative rights established before the date of the notice or the call. In a subsequent active management area, land is deemed to have been in irrigation if the director finds that either ONE of the following applies:
- 1. In areas of a subsequent active management area which were not 20 irrigation non-expansion areas, land GREATER THAN THREE HUNDRED TWENTY 21 ACRES is deemed to have been in irrigation if substantial capital 22 investment has been made for the subjugation of such land for an 23 irrigation use including on-site irrigation distribution facilities and a 24 well or wells the drilling and construction of which were substantially 25 commenced before the date of the notice of the initiation of designation 26 procedures or the call for the election.
- 2. In areas of a subsequent active management area which were 28 irrigation non-expansion areas, land GREATER THAN THREE HUNDRED TWENTY 29 ACRES is deemed to have been in irrigation if the director finds that 30 substantial capital investment has been made in the twelve months before 31 the date of the notice of the initiation of designation procedures or the 32 call for the election, for the improvement of the land and on-site 33 irrigation distribution facilities, including the drilling of wells, for 34 an irrigation use. This paragraph does not allow irrigation of land which 35 could not have been legally irrigated under section 45-437.
- 36 3. IN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, LAND EQUAL TO OR LESS THAN THREE HUNDRED TWENTY ACRES IS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN IN IRRIGATION IF 38 THE DIRECTOR FINDS THAT SUBSTANTIAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT HAS BEEN MADE IN 39 THE FIVE YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE NOTICE OF THE INITIATION OF 40 DESIGNATION PROCEDURES OR THE CALL FOR THE ELECTION, OR THE SUBJUGATION OR 41 IMPROVEMENT OF SUCH LAND FOR AN IRRIGATION USE, INCLUDING ON-SITE 42 IRRIGATION DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES AND DRILLING OF WELLS. THIS PARAGRAPH 43 DOES NOT ALLOW IRRIGATION OF LAND THAT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN LEGALLY 44 IRRIGATED UNDER SECTION 45-437.

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- H. In an active management area, a state university engaged in the teaching and study of and experimentation in the science of agriculture may irrigate not more than three hundred twenty acres of land for such purposes with not more than five acre-feet of groundwater per acre per year. Water produced from any well pursuant to this subsection shall not be leased, sold or transported off the irrigated land operated by the state university. The right to withdraw and use groundwater pursuant to this subsection does not require a withdrawal permit, is not a grandfathered right, shall not give rise to a grandfathered right and may not be conveyed to any other user.
- I. In an active management area, a correctional facility under the 12 jurisdiction of the state department of corrections may irrigate with 13 groundwater, effluent, diffused water on the surface or surface water up 14 to a total of ten acres of land that otherwise may not be irrigated 15 pursuant to subsection A or G of this section if the irrigation is for the 16 purpose of producing plants or parts of plants for consumption by inmates 17 at the correctional facility as part of a prisoner work program and if the 18 correctional facility notifies the director of water resources in writing 19 of the location of the acres of land to be irrigated prior to BEFORE 20 their irrigation. The actual number of acres of land that a correctional 21 facility may irrigate pursuant to this subsection shall be calculated by 22 subtracting the number of acres of land the correctional facility may 23 already irrigate under subsection A or G of this section from ten. The 24 amount of water that a correctional facility may use during a year to 25 irrigate acres of land pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed an 26 amount calculated by multiplying the number of acres of land that are 27 actually irrigated by the correctional facility during the year pursuant 28 to this subsection, by four and one-half acre-feet of water. The right 29 to withdraw and use groundwater pursuant to this subsection does not 30 require an irrigation grandfathered right, is not a grandfathered right, 31 shall not give rise to a grandfathered right, and may not be conveyed to 32 any other user.
- J. During the second management period, acres of land in an active 34 management area which have been retired from irrigation for a 35 non-irrigation use pursuant to section 45-463 or 45-469 or for which the 36 irrigation grandfathered right has been conveyed for a non-irrigation use 37 pursuant to section 45-472 may be irrigated with effluent, other than 38 effluent recovered pursuant to a recovery well permit issued under chapter 39 3.1 of this title or effluent given or received pursuant to a water 40 exchange under chapter 4 of this title, and shall retain its appurtenant 41 type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right where the following conditions 42 are met:
- 43 1. The land to be irrigated lies within the boundaries of an 44 incorporated city or town.

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- 2. The governing body or manager of the city or town has consented 2 in writing to the irrigation of the land with effluent.
- 3 3. The effluent proposed for irrigation of the land cannot be 4 reasonably beneficially used otherwise.
- 5 4. The owner of the land gives written notice to the director of 6 intention to irrigate the land with effluent and receives written approval 7 from the director before commencing irrigation. The notice shall set 8 forth the legal description of the land to be irrigated, the certificate 9 number of the type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right appurtenant to the 10 land, the source of effluent and the reasons the effluent cannot be 11 reasonably beneficially used otherwise, and shall be accompanied by a 12 copy of the written consent of the city or town in which the land to be 13 irrigated is located.
- K. A person who may irrigate with effluent land to which a type 1 non-irrigation right is appurtenant under subsection J of this section may 16 relinquish the right to irrigate all or a portion of the land by giving 17 the director written notice that the person relinquishes the right. The 18 notice shall include a legal description of the acres to be 19 relinquished. The relinquishment is effective upon receipt of the notice 20 by the director.
- L. If a person who may irrigate with effluent land to which a type 22 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right is appurtenant under subsection J of 23 this section conveys all or a portion of the land to a successor owner, 24 the successor owner shall not irrigate the land prior to providing written 25 notification to the director of the successor owner's intention to 26 irrigate the land and receiving approval from the director pursuant to 27 subsection J of this section.
- M. Section 45-114, subsections A and B govern administrative proceedings, rehearing or review and judicial review of final decisions of the director under this section. If an administrative hearing is held, it shall be conducted in the active management area in which the use is located.
- 33 Sec. 10. Title 45, chapter 2, article 5, Arizona Revised Statutes, 34 is amended by adding sections 45-465.05, 45-465.06, 45-465.07 and 35 45-465.08, to read:

45-465.05. Addition of acres: subsequent active management areas; definition

A. A PERSON THAT OWNS ACRES OF LAND WITHIN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA DESCRIBED ON A CERTIFICATE OF IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT THAT HAVE NOT BEEN RETIRED FROM IRRIGATION FOR A NON-IRRIGATION USE PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-463 OR 45-469 MAY APPLY TO THE DIRECTOR TO ADD ACRES OF LAND WITHIN THE SAME GROUNDWATER BASIN OR SUBBASIN TO THE PERSON'S CERTIFICATE OF IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT. THE OWNER OR LESSEE OF THE ADDITIONAL ACRES SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO USE GROUNDWATER TO IRRIGATE THE ADDITIONAL ACRES.

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- B. IF A PERSON ADDS ACRES TO A CERTIFICATE OF IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED GRANDFATHERED RIGHT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, THE IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHTS ARE APPURTENANT TO THE ORIGINAL CERTIFICATED ACRES AND THE ADDITIONAL ACRES. THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER A PERSON MAY USE TO IRRIGATE THE ORIGINAL CERTIFICATED ACRES AND THE ADDITIONAL ACRES MAY NOT EXCEED THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER AS DETERMINED FOR THE ORIGINAL CERTIFICATED ACRES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-465.
- 8 C. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "ORIGINAL CERTIFICATED ACRES" 9 MEANS THE ACRES DESCRIBED ON A CERTIFICATE OF IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED 10 RIGHT BEFORE THE ADDITION OF ACRES AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO SECTION 11 45-465.

### 12 45-465.06. <u>Substitution of acres; subsequent active</u> 13 <u>management areas</u>

- A. A PERSON THAT OWNS ACRES OF LAND WITHIN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE 15 MANAGEMENT AREA DESCRIBED ON A CERTIFICATE OF IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED 16 RIGHT THAT HAVE NOT BEEN RETIRED FROM IRRIGATION FOR A NON-IRRIGATION USE 17 PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-463 OR 45-469 MAY APPLY TO THE DIRECTOR TO RETIRE 18 ALL OR A PORTION OF THE PERSON'S ACRES FROM IRRIGATION AND SUBSTITUTE THE 19 RETIRED ACRES FOR OTHER ACRES WITHIN THE SAME GROUNDWATER BASIN OR 20 SUBBASIN.
- B. ANY PERSON THAT RETIRES ACRES FROM IRRIGATION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL RELINQUISH THE IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHTS FOR THE RETIRED ACRES. IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHTS GAINED THROUGH SUBSTITUTION AS PRESCRIBED BY THIS SECTION ARE APPURTENANT TO THE SUBSTITUTE ACRES. THE OWNER OR LESSEE OF THE SUBSTITUTE ACRES SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO USE GROUNDWATER TO IRRIGATE THE SUBSTITUTE ACRES BASED ON THE CALCULATION OF THE IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHTS FOR THE RETIRED ACRES AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-465.

# 45-465.07. Conveyance of irrigation grandfathered rights: subsequent active managements areas

- A. THE OWNER OF AN IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT IN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA MAY RETIRE FROM IRRIGATION ALL OR A PORTION OF THE ACRES THAT THE RIGHT IS APPURTENANT AND CONVEY THE RIGHT FOR IRRIGATION USE ON OTHER LAND IN THE SAME GROUNDWATER BASIN OR SUBBASIN.
- B. THE OWNER OF AN IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT THAT RETIRES ANY ACRES FROM IRRIGATION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL RELINQUISH THEIR IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHTS FOR THE RETIRED ACRES. ONCE A PERSON RETIRES AND CONVEYS AN IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT IS APPURTENANT TO THE LAND TO WHERE THE RIGHT IS CONVEYED. THE AMOUNT OF AN IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT THAT IS CONVEYED SHALL BE THE CURRENT MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER THAT AN IRRIGATION GRANDFATHER MAY USE PURSUANT TO THE ACRES ATTACHED TO THE RETIRED ACRES AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-465.

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### 45-465.08. <u>Combination of irrigation grandfathered rights:</u> <u>subsequent active management areas</u>

A. THE OWNER OF MORE THAN ONE IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT IN A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA MAY APPLY TO THE DIRECTOR TO COMBINE MULTIPLE IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHTS IN THE SAME GROUNDWATER BASIN OR SUBBASIN THAT ARE FARMED BY THE SAME OWNER OR BY ANY PERSON ENTITLED TO USE GROUNDWATER PURSUANT TO THE PERSON'S IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHTS.

8 B. THE IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT IS APPURTENANT TO THE 9 CERTIFICATED ACRES DESCRIBED IN THE PERSON'S IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED 10 RIGHTS THAT ARE COMBINED. THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER THAT A PERSON 11 MAY USE TO IRRIGATE THE COMBINED CERTIFICATED ACRES IS THE SUM OF THE 12 MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER THAT A PERSON MAY USE TO IRRIGATE THE 13 CERTIFICATED ACRES FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT THAT 14 IS COMBINED AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-465.

Sec. 11. Section 45-569, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 16 read:

## 45-569. <u>Management goals and management plans for subsequent active management areas: definition</u>

A. Within thirty days of AFTER the designation of a subsequent 20 active management area pursuant to article 2 of this chapter, the COUNCIL IN CONSULTATION WITH THE director shall establish a management goal for 22 the active management area and the number of years in which the goal is to 23 be achieved. THE DIRECTOR SHALL PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND LEGAL SUPPORT TO 24 THE COUNCIL ON REQUEST. IF THE SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA IS 25 LOCATED IN A BASIN OR SUBBASIN WHERE THERE IS NO FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE 26 WATER SUPPLY, THE MANAGEMENT GOAL OF THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA MAY NOT BE 27 SAFE YIELD.

B. Not later than two years after the designation of a subsequent 28 29 active management area, the COUNCIL IN CONSULTATION WITH THE director 30 shall promulgate ADOPT an initial management plan for the active 31 management area and may provide for subsequent management plans to be 32 promulgated during the time set for achieving the management goal. If the 33 director COUNCIL determines that active management is necessary to 34 preserve the existing supply of groundwater for future needs or that land 35 subsidence or fissuring is endangering property or potential groundwater 36 storage capacity, the director COUNCIL, in developing the plan or plans, 37 shall include measures for reducing groundwater withdrawals which THAT 38 follow as closely as practicable the program set forth in sections 45-564 39 through 45-568. If the director COUNCIL determines that active management 40 is necessary because the use of groundwater is resulting in actual or 41 threatened groundwater quality degradation, the director shall COUNCIL, in 42 cooperation with the department of environmental quality, SHALL include in 43 the plan or plans a program for prevention or amelioration of groundwater 44 quality problems and a schedule for implementation of the proposed 45 solutions. The director COUNCIL shall submit such program to the

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1 legislature for any necessary enabling legislation or coordination with 2 existing programs of the department of environmental quality.

- 3 C. All management plans, including the management goal, for a 4 subsequent active management area, shall be adopted only after public 5 hearings pursuant to sections 45-570 and 45-571 AND REVIEW BY THE DIRECTOR 6 FOR TECHNICAL, ECONOMIC AND LEGAL FEASIBILITY.
- 7 D. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "COUNCIL" MEANS THE 8 GROUNDWATER USERS ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A SUBSEQUENT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA 9 ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-420.
- Sec. 12. Section 45-576, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 11 read:
  - 45-576. Certificate of assured water supply; designated cities, towns and private water companies; exemptions; definition
- A. Except as provided in subsections G and J of this section, a 16 person who proposes to offer subdivided lands, as defined in section 32-2101, for sale or lease in an INITIAL active management area shall apply for and obtain a certificate of assured water supply from the 19 director before presenting the plat for approval to the city, town or 20 county in which the land is located, where such is required, and before 21 filing with the state real estate commissioner a notice of intention to 22 offer such lands for sale or lease, pursuant to section 32-2181, unless 23 the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the 24 subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as 25 having an assured water supply pursuant to this section.
- B. Except as provided in subsections G and J of this section, a city, town or county may approve a subdivision plat only if the subdivider has obtained a certificate of assured water supply from the director or the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply pursuant to this section. The city, town or county shall note on the face of the approved plat that a certificate of assured water supply has been submitted with the plat or that the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the proposed subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply pursuant to this section.
- 37 C. Except as provided in subsections G and J of this section, the 38 state real estate commissioner may issue a public report authorizing the 39 sale or lease of subdivided lands only on compliance with either of the 40 following:
- 1. The subdivider, owner or agent has paid any activation fee 42 required under section 48-3772, subsection A, paragraph 7 and any 43 replenishment reserve fee required under section 48-3774.01, subsection A, 44 paragraph 2 and has obtained a certificate of assured water supply from 45 the director.

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- 2. The subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the lands from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply pursuant to this section and the subdivider, owner or agent has paid any activation fee required under section 48-3772, subsection A, paragraph 7.
- D. The director shall designate private water companies in INITIAL active management areas that have an assured water supply. If a city or 8 town acquires a private water company that has contracted for central Arizona project water, the city or town shall assume the private water company's contract for central Arizona project water.
- E. The director shall designate cities and towns in INITIAL active management areas where an assured water supply exists. If a city or town 13 has entered into a contract for central Arizona project water, the city or 14 town is deemed to continue to have an assured water supply until December 15 31, 1997. Commencing on January 1, 1998, the determination that the city 16 or town has an assured water supply is subject to review by the director 17 and the director may determine that a city or town does not have an 18 assured water supply.
- F. The director shall notify the mayors of all cities and towns in 20 active management areas and the chairmen of the boards of supervisors of 21 counties in which active management areas are located of the cities, towns 22 and private water companies designated as having an assured water supply 23 and any modification of that designation within thirty days of AFTER the 24 designation or modification. If the service area of the city, town or 25 private water company has qualified as a member service area pursuant to 26 title 48, chapter 22, article 4, the director shall also notify the 27 conservation district of the designation or modification and shall report 28 the projected average annual replenishment obligation for the member 29 service area based on the projected and committed average annual demand 30 for water within the service area during the effective term of the 31 designation or modification subject to any limitation in an agreement 32 between the conservation district and the city, town or private water 33 company. For each city, town or private water company that qualified as a 34 member service area under title 48, chapter 22 and THAT was designated as 35 having an assured water supply before January 1, 2004, the director shall 36 report to the conservation district on or before January 1, 2005 the 37 projected average annual replenishment obligation based on the projected 38 and committed average annual demand for water within the service area 39 during the effective term of the designation subject to any limitation in 40 an agreement between the conservation district and the city, town or 41 private water company. Persons proposing to offer subdivided lands served 42 by those designated cities, towns and private water companies for sale or 43 lease are exempt from applying for and obtaining a certificate of assured 44 water supply.

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- G. This section does not apply in the case of the sale of lands for developments that are subject to a mineral extraction and METALLURGICAL processing permit or an industrial use permit pursuant to sections 45-514 and 45-515.
- H. The director shall adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this section. On or before January 1, 2008, The rules shall provide for a reduction in water demand for an application for a designation of assured water supply or a certificate of assured water supply if a gray water reuse system will be installed that meets the requirements of the rules adopted by the department of environmental quality for gray water systems and if the application is for a certificate of assured water supply, the land for which the certificate is sought must qualify as a member land in a conservation district pursuant to title 48, chapter 22, article 4. For the purposes of this subsection, "gray water" has the same meaning prescribed in section 49-201.
- I. If the director designates a municipal provider as having an 17 assured water supply under this section and the designation lapses or 18 otherwise terminates while the municipal provider's service area is a 19 member service area of a conservation district, the municipal provider or 20 its successor shall continue to comply with the consistency with 21 management goal requirements in the rules adopted by the director under 22 subsection H of this section as if the designation was still in effect 23 with respect to the municipal provider's designation uses. When 24 determining compliance by the municipal provider or its successor with the 25 consistency with management goal requirements in the rules, the director 26 shall consider only water delivered by the municipal provider or its 27 successor to the municipal provider's designation uses. A person is the 28 successor of a municipal provider if the person commences water service to 29 uses that were previously designation uses of the municipal provider. Any 30 groundwater delivered by the municipal provider or its successor to the 31 municipal provider's designation uses in excess of the amount allowed 32 under the consistency with management goal requirements in the rules shall 33 be considered excess groundwater for purposes of title 48, chapter 22. 34 For the purposes of this subsection, "designation uses" means all water 35 uses served by a municipal provider on the date the municipal provider's 36 designation of assured water supply lapses or otherwise terminates and all 37 recorded lots within the municipal provider's service area that were not 38 being served by the municipal provider on that date but that received 39 final plat approval from a city, town or county on or before that date. 40 Designation uses do not include industrial uses served by an irrigation 41 district under section 45-497.
- J. Subsections A, B and C of this section do not apply to a person 43 who proposes to offer subdivided land for sale or lease in an INITIAL 44 active management area if all the following apply:

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- 1. The director issued a certificate of assured water supply for 2 the land to a previous owner of the land and the certificate was 3 classified as a type A certificate under rules adopted by the director 4 pursuant to subsection H of this section.
- 5 2. The director has not revoked the certificate of assured water 6 supply described in paragraph 1 of this subsection, and proceedings to 7 revoke the certificate are not pending before the department or a court. 8 The department shall post on its website a list of all certificates of 9 assured water supply that have been revoked or for which proceedings are 10 pending before the department or a court.
- 3. The plat submitted to the department in the application for the 12 certificate of assured water supply described in paragraph 1 of this 13 subsection has not changed.
- 4. Water service is currently available to each lot within the subdivided land and the water provider listed on the certificate of assured water supply described in paragraph 1 of this subsection has not changed.
- The subdivided land qualifies as a member land under title 48, 19 chapter 22 and the subdivider has paid any activation fee required under 20 section 48-3772, subsection A, paragraph 7 and any replenishment reserve 21 fee required under section 48-3774.01, subsection A, paragraph 2.
- 22 6. The plat is submitted for approval to a city, town or county 23 that is listed on the department's website as a qualified platting 24 authority.
- 25 K. Subsection J of this section does not affect the assignment of a 26 certificate of assured water supply as prescribed by section 45-579.
- L. On or before December 31, 2023, the director shall study and submit to the governor, president of the senate and speaker of the house of representatives a report on whether and how a person that seeks a building permit for six or more residences within an active management area, without regard to any proposed lease term for those residences, should apply for and obtain a certificate of assured water supply from the director before presenting the permit application for approval to the county in which the land is located, unless the applicant has obtained a written commitment of water service for the residences from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply pursuant to this section.
- 38 M. For the purposes of this section, "assured water supply" means 39 all of the following:
- 1. Sufficient groundwater, surface water or effluent of adequate 41 quality will be continuously available to satisfy the water needs of the 42 proposed use for at least one hundred years. Beginning January 1 of the 43 calendar year following the year in which a groundwater replenishment 44 district is required to submit its preliminary plan pursuant to section 45 45-576.02, subsection A, paragraph 1, with respect to an applicant that is

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1 a member of the district, "sufficient groundwater" for the purposes of 2 this paragraph means that the proposed groundwater withdrawals that the 3 applicant will cause over a period of one hundred years will be of 4 adequate quality and will not exceed, in combination with other 5 withdrawals from land in the replenishment district, a depth to water of 6 one thousand feet or the depth of the bottom of the aquifer, whichever is 7 less. In determining depth to water for the purposes of this paragraph, 8 the director shall consider the combination of:

- (a) The existing rate of decline.
- (b) The proposed withdrawals.
- 11 (c) The expected water requirements of all recorded lots that are 12 not yet served water and that are located in the service area of a 13 municipal provider.
- 14 2. The projected groundwater use is consistent with the management 15 plan and achievement of the management goal for the active management 16 area.
- 3. The financial capability has been demonstrated to construct the 18 water facilities necessary to make the supply of water available for the 19 proposed use, including a delivery system and any storage facilities or 20 treatment works. The director may accept evidence of the construction 21 assurances required by section 9-463.01,  $\frac{11-823}{11-822}$  11-822 or 32-2181 to 22 satisfy this requirement.

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