

HB 1179 -- MAJOR WATER USERS

This bill prohibits any major water user from conveying water withdrawn or diverted from within the Southeast Missouri Regional Water District to a location outside of the water district if it interferes with the reasonable and customary activities of another major water user within the district who is registered with the Division of Geology and Land Survey within the Department of Natural Resources. If a conveyance occurs, the Attorney General or the party or parties affected may file an action for an injunction. In no case can the injunction be issued if it would be detrimental to public health or safety. A major water user is a person, firm, corporation, or the state, its agencies or corporations and any other political subdivision of the state, their agencies or corporations, with a water source and equipment necessary to withdraw or divert 100,000 gallons or more of water per day from any water source.