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SENATE BILL 10-027

BY SENATOR(S) Sandoval, Brophy, Hodge, Romer, Whitehead;  
also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Roberts, Baumgardner, Curry, Gerou, Looper,  
Massey, Priola, Stephens, Vigil.

CONCERNING A FINE FOR THE UNAUTHORIZED DIVERSION OF SURFACE  
WATER.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** 37-92-503 (6) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**37-92-503. Enforcement - injunction.** (6) (a) (I) Any person who diverts ~~ground water~~ GROUNDWATER contrary to a valid order of the state engineer or a division engineer issued pursuant to section 37-92-502, in violation of a plan approved pursuant to rules ~~and regulations~~ adopted by the state engineer, or otherwise in violation of rules ~~and regulations~~ adopted by the state engineer to regulate or measure diversions of ~~ground water~~ GROUNDWATER shall forfeit and pay a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars for each day such violation continues.

(II) ANY PERSON WHO DIVERTS SURFACE WATER CONTRARY TO A VALID ORDER OF THE STATE ENGINEER OR A DIVISION ENGINEER ISSUED

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

PURSUANT TO SECTION 37-92-502 SHALL FORFEIT AND PAY A SUM NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR EACH DAY SUCH VIOLATION CONTINUES.

**SECTION 2. Applicability.** The provisions of this act shall apply to conduct occurring on or after the effective date of this act.

**SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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