

House Bill 49

By: Representatives Morris of the 26th, Jones of the 47th, Tanner of the 9th, Lumsden of the 12th, Powell of the 32nd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 12-5-584 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 water supply and water conservation management plan and interbasin transfers relative to the
3 Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District, so as to provide that certain interbasin
4 transfers shall be included in water supply and water conservation management studies and
5 plans; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws;
6 and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 12-5-584 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water supply
10 and water conservation management plan and interbasin transfers relative to the Metropolitan
11 North Georgia Water Planning District, is amended by revising subsection (f) as follows:
12 "(f) The district shall neither study nor include in any plan any interbasin transfer of water
13 from outside the district area; provided, however, that this restriction shall not apply to an
14 interbasin transfer from a river with an annual average flow of at least 15 billion gallons
15 per day at the withdrawal point when such transfer is approved by the county in which the
16 withdrawal point is located."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
19 without such approval.

20 **SECTION 3.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.