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## **WATER CODE - WAT**

DIVISION 6. CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT, AND UTILIZATION OF STATE WATER RESOURCES [10000 - 12999] (
Heading of Division 6 amended by Stats. 1957, Ch. 1932.)

PART 3. CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT [11100 - 11985] (Part 3 added by Stats. 1943, Ch. 370.)

CHAPTER 3. The Department of Water Resources [11419 - 11465] (Heading of Chapter 3 amended by Stats. 1957, Ch. 1932.)

**ARTICLE 3. Limitation of Powers [11460 - 11465]** ( Heading of Article 3 renumbered from Article 4 by Stats. 1957, Ch. 1932. )

**11460.** In the construction and operation by the department of any project under the provisions of this part a watershed or area wherein water originates, or an area immediately adjacent thereto which can conveniently be supplied with water therefrom, shall not be deprived by the department directly or indirectly of the prior right to all of the water reasonably required to adequately supply the beneficial needs of the watershed, area, or any of the inhabitants or property owners therein.

(Amended by Stats. 1957, Ch. 1932. Note: Amendment by Stats. 1980, Ch. 632, did not take effect; Ch. 632 was rejected as referendum Proposition 9 at the June 8, 1982, election.)

**11461.** In no other way than by purchase or otherwise as provided in this part shall water rights of a watershed, area, or the inhabitants be impaired or curtailed by the department, but the provisions of this article shall be strictly limited to the acts and proceedings of the department, as such, and shall not apply to any persons or state agencies.

(Amended by Stats. 1957, Ch. 1932.)

11462. The provisions of this article shall not be so construed as to create any new property rights other than against the department as provided in this part or to require the department to furnish to any person without adequate compensation therefor any water made available by the construction of any works by the department. (Amended by Stats. 1957, Ch. 1932.)

11463. In the construction and operation by the department of any project under the provisions of this part, no exchange of the water of any watershed or area for the water of any other watershed or area may be made by the department unless the water requirements of the watershed or area in which the exchange is made are first and at all times met and satisfied to the extent that the requirements would have been met were the exchange not made, and no right to the use of water shall be gained or lost by reason of any such exchange.

(Amended by Stats. 1957, Ch. 1932.)

<u>11464.</u> No water right, reservoir, conduit, or facility for the generation, production, transmission, or distribution of electric power, acquired by the department shall ever be sold, granted, or conveyed by the department so that the department thereby is divested of the title to and ownership of it.

(Amended by Stats. 1957, Ch. 1932.)

**11465.** The department shall not make any change, alteration, or revision of any rates, prices, or charges established by any contract entered into pursuant to this part except as provided by the contract.

(Amended by Stats. 1957, Ch. 1932.)

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