



ITEM 9-5
Proposed State Legislation

Informational Item

**Bay Delta Authority and Public Advisory
Committee**

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Federal conformity

- HR 2828 triggered need to revisit state law
 - Removes sunset clause
 - Nonvoting federal members creates inconsistency with expectation
 - Conforms ISB operating procedures consistent with National Academy of Sciences practices under FACA

Water use & measurement reporting

- Authority / BDPAC unanimously approved water management plan (April 2004)
- Creates new, more comprehensive multi-agency water use reporting database
- Coordinates inconsistent & duplicative reporting mechanisms at DWR, SWRCB and DHS
- Fundamental to generating basic data for water policymaking

Finance Plan

- Governor's budget calls for funding strategy by May revision to State Budget
- Item 9 on today's agenda provides detailed options
- Work in progress pursuant to Bay-Delta Authority process
- Strong legislative interest