

SENATE BILL No. 510

By Committee on Agriculture

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9 AN ACT concerning water; relating to the beneficial use of water.

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11 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

12 Section 1. (a) As used in this section, “conservation use” means the
13 maintenance of a water right for future use.

14 (b) Conservation use shall be a distinct beneficial use of water. Diver-
15 sion under a conservation use water right shall be prohibited.

16 (c) A vested or certified water right which has not been deemed aban-
17 doned pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-718, and amendments thereto, may be
18 changed to a conservation use pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-708b, and amend-
19 ments thereto, and any rules and regulations as promulgated by the chief
20 engineer.

21 (d) A conservation use water right may be changed pursuant to K.S.A.
22 2009 Supp. 82a-708b, and amendments thereto, and any rules and reg-
23 ulations promulgated by the chief engineer.

24 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
25 publication in the statute book.