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## S. 1367

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 4, 1997

Mrs. Hutchison introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. USE OF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OF CANADIAN
- 4 RIVER RECLAMATION PROJECT, TEXAS, TO
- 5 TRANSPORT NONPROJECT WATER.
- 6 The Act of December 29, 1950 (chapter 1183; 43
- 7 U.S.C. 600b. 600c), authorizing construction, operation,
- 8 and maintenance of the Canadian River reclamation

- 1 project, Texas, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 2 lowing new section:
- 3 "Sec. 4. (a) The Secretary of the Interior shall allow
- 4 use of the project distribution system (including all pipe-
- 5 lines, aqueducts, pumping plants, and related facilities)
- 6 for transport of water from the Canadian River Conjunc-
- 7 tive Use Groundwater Project to municipalities that are
- 8 receiving water from the project. Such use shall be subject
- 9 only to such environmental review as is required under the
- 10 Memorandum of Understanding, No. 97–AG–60–09340,
- 11 between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Canadian
- 12 River Municipal Water Authority, and a review and ap-
- 13 proval of the engineering desing of the interconnection fa-
- 14 cilities to assure the continued integrity of the project.
- 15 Such environmental review shall be completed within 90
- 16 days after the date of enactment of this section.
- 17 "(b) The Canadian River Municipal Water Authority
- 18 shall bear the responsibility for all costs of construction,
- 19 operation, and maintenance of the Canadian River Con-
- 20 junctive Groundwater Project, and for costs incurred by
- 21 the Secretary in conducting the environmental review of
- 22 the project. The Secretary shall not assess any additional
- 23 charges in connection with the Canadian River Conjunc-
- 24 tive Use Groundwater Project.".