

SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT
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Page 94, after line 8, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 133. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING INTERSTATE**
2 **WATER AGREEMENTS AND COMPACTS.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

4 (1) States and local interests have primary re-
5 sponsibility for developing water supplies for domes-
6 tic, municipal, industrial, and other purposes.

7 (2) The Federal Government cooperates with
8 States and local interests in developing water sup-
9 plies through the construction, maintenance, and op-
10 eration of Federal water resources development
11 projects.

12 (3) Interstate water disputes are most properly
13 addressed through interstate water agreements or
14 compacts that take into consideration the concerns
15 of all affected States.

16 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
17 gress that—

18 (1) Congress and the Secretary should urge
19 States to reach agreement on interstate water agree-
20 ments and compacts;

1 (2) at the request of the Governor of a State,
2 the Secretary should facilitate and assist in the de-
3 velopment of an interstate water agreement or com-
4 pact;

5 (3) Congress should provide prompt consider-
6 ation of interstate water agreements and compacts;
7 and

8 (4) the Secretary should adopt policies and im-
9 plement procedures for the operation of reservoirs of
10 the Corps of Engineers that are consistent with
11 interstate water agreements and compacts.

