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An act to amend Section 85200 of the Water Code, relating to the
Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 85200 of the Water Code is amended to read:

85200. (a) The Delta Stewardship Council is hereby established as an independent agency of the state.

(b) The council shall consist of seven voting members, of which four members shall be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, one member shall be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, one member shall be appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, and one member shall be the Chairperson of the Delta Protection Commission. Initial appointments to the council shall be made by July 1, 2010.

(c) (1) (A) The initial terms of two of the four members appointed by the Governor shall be four years.

(B) The initial terms of two of the four members appointed by the Governor shall be six years.

(C) The initial terms of the members appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly shall be four years.

(D) Upon the expiration of each term described in subparagraphs (A), (B), or (C), the term of each succeeding member shall be four years.

(2) The Chairperson of the Delta Protection Commission shall serve as a member of the council for the period during which he or she holds the position as commission chairperson.

(d) Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority within 60 days. If the term of a council member expires, and no successor is appointed within the allotted



timeframe, the existing member may serve up to 180 days beyond the expiration of his or her term.

(e) The council members shall select a chairperson from among their members, who shall serve for not more than ~~four~~ eight years in that capacity.

(f) The council shall meet once a month in a public forum. At least two meetings each year shall take place at a location within the Delta.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No.

as introduced, _____.

General Subject: Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: Delta Stewardship Council:
chairperson.

The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 establishes the Delta Stewardship Council as an independent agency of the state, and requires the council to develop, adopt, and commence implementation of a comprehensive management plan for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, meeting specified requirements. Existing law requires the council to consist of 7 voting members and requires those members to select a chairperson from among themselves, who shall serve for not more than 4 years in that capacity.

This bill would extend the length of time a member of the council is authorized to serve as chairperson to 8 years.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

