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Brief Description: Concerning the division of existing surface or ground water rights.

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Provides that, at the request of the holder or holders of the right, the department shall divide the water right into two or more water rights. If the water right is held by more than one person, such a division of the right may include dividing the right among the various holders of the right.

Declares that such a division of the right does not constitute a change, transfer, or amendment of the water right and a calculation of an annual consumptive quantity of water under RCW 90.03.380(1) does not apply to such a division.

Declares that the division of a water right under the authority of this act does not constitute an adjudication of the right to use water as between the water right holder or holders and the state or as between the water right holder or holders and persons with other water rights.