
HOUSE BILL 1135

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1 AN ACT Relating to aquifer conservation zones in qualifying island
2 cities without access to potable water sources outside their
3 jurisdiction; and adding a new section to chapter 36.70A RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 36.70A RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) Any city coterminous with, and comprised only of, an island
8 that does not have access to a potable water source outside its
9 jurisdiction may designate one or more aquifer conservation zones.

10 Aquifer conservation zones may only be designated for the purpose
11 of conserving and protecting potable water sources and may not include
12 the entirety of a jurisdiction.

13 (2) Aquifer conservation zones may not be considered critical areas
14 under this chapter except to the extent that specific areas located
15 within aquifer conservation zones qualify for critical area designation
16 and have been designated as such under RCW 36.70A.060(2).

17 (3) Any city declaring one or more aquifer conservation zones under
18 this section may determine residential densities within the

1 conservation zones that, in combination with other densities of the
2 city, are sufficient to accommodate projected population growth under
3 RCW 36.70A.110.

4 (4) Nothing in this section may be construed to modify the
5 population accommodation obligations required of jurisdictions under
6 this chapter.

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