

**HB 2591-S - DIGEST**

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Requires the department of ecology to adjust water right application fees.

Creates a permit-exempt well registry with a registration fee.

Provides for recovery of the actual cost of processing applications for water right permits.

Stops subsidizing the processing of water right permits out of general tax revenues.

Eliminates the backlog of applications within four years of the effective date of the act.

Creates the water rights processing and dam safety account.