

6334-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Ecology & Parks (originally sponsored by Senators Rasmussen, Swecker, Haugen, Fraser, Morton and Sutherland)

Brief Description: Changing water rights administration.

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Revises procedures for the submission of an application for a water right permit.

Revises notice of receipt of application requirements.

Provides that the burden of proof is on the person filing an appeal of a department decision to the pollution control hearings board.

Authorizes one member of the board to hear the appeal.

Designates what will constitute "good cause" for a failure to complete work within the prescribed period.

Encourages the filing of a consolidated application for a complex project.

Requires the establishment of streamlined procedures for processing de minimis appropriations of surface water.

Establishes a register that identifies, by water resource inventory area, applications for new water rights, and transfers and changes of rights.