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3 By Senators Haugen, Sheahan and Fraser

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5 On page 5, after line 19, insert the following:

6 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** A new section is added to chapter 90.44 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 Any one or more public water supply systems in counties surrounded
9 by water with existing or proposed ground water withdrawals from a
10 federally designated sole source aquifer, with applications for a new
11 withdrawal or a change or transfer pending before the department on or
12 before January 1, 2000, may initiate a cost-reimbursement agreement
13 with the department to provide expedited review of the applications.
14 If a request for a cost-reimbursement agreement is made, the department
15 shall negotiate in good faith with the group of public water supply
16 system applicants to provide expedited review for the applications.
17 The department shall be guided by sections 1 through 3 of this act in
18 negotiating a cost-reimbursement agreement. The department shall
19 render decisions on the applications subject to the provisions of this
20 section by June 30, 2002."

21 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal
22 references accordingly.

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26 On page 1, on line 5 of the title, after "chapter 70.94 RCW;"
27 insert "adding a new section to chapter 90.44 RCW;"

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EFFECT: Authorizes public water systems in counties surrounded by water with ground water withdrawals from federally designated sole-source aquifers to negotiate cost-reimbursement agreements for expedited review of pending applications for withdrawals, changes or transfers.

