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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Agriculture & Ecology (originally sponsored by Representatives G. Chandler, Linville, Mastin and Koster)

Brief Title: Regarding industrial reclaimed water.

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Declares that the owner of a facility that provides industrial reclaimed water for agricultural purposes and does so under a permit issued under chapter 90.48 RCW has the exclusive right to any of the industrial reclaimed water generated by the facility. Use and distribution of the industrial reclaimed water is exempt from the requirements to obtain a permit under RCW 90.03.250 or 90.44.060 and the requirements to obtain approval of a transfer, change, or amendment of a water right under RCW 90.03.380, 90.03.383, 90.03.390, 90.44.100, or 90.44.105.

Authorizes the department of ecology, in consultation with the department of health and water purveyors, to adopt rules establishing criteria to determine when the use of reclaimed water is feasible to replace potable water supplied for nonpotable water use. Local governments may adopt ordinances requiring the use of reclaimed water for nonpotable uses when determined feasible.