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**BILL REQUEST - CODE REVISER'S OFFICE**

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BILL REQ. #: S-4711.1/02

ATTY/TYPIST: KT:rmh

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

2 **ESHB 2518** - S AMD  
3 By Senator

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
6 following:

7 "Sec. 1. RCW 70.46.060 and 1993 c 492 s 248 are each amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 (1) The district board of health shall constitute the local board  
10 of health for all the territory included in the health district, and  
11 shall supersede and exercise all the powers and perform all the duties  
12 by law vested in the county board of health of any county included in  
13 the health district.

14 (2) The district board of health may impose civil penalties of up  
15 to one hundred dollars per day for violations of any public health  
16 statute, rule, or regulation, relating to environmental health,  
17 including local rules, regulations, and ordinances, as follows:

18 (a) Prior to imposing a civil penalty, the district board of health  
19 shall provide notice in writing to the person in violation, describing  
20 the violation and the penalty process. The person in violation shall  
21 be given a reasonable opportunity to comply with the public health  
22 statute, rule, or regulation.

23 (b) If the violation remains, the district board of health may  
24 impose a civil penalty by providing notice in writing to the person  
25 incurring the penalty.

26 (c) Any penalty imposed under this section may be appealed to the  
27 district board of health.

28 (3) For purposes of this section, "environmental health" means  
29 those aspects of human health that are or can be affected by  
30 contaminants or changes in the environment, including but not limited  
31 to food safety, drinking water, on-site sewage disposal, and waste  
32 disposal.

33 (4) The district board of health shall adopt local ordinances  
34 implementing the provisions of this section."

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4 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "districts;" strike the  
5 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 70.46.060; and  
6 prescribing penalties."

EFFECT: Clarifies that the bill applies to district boards of health and establishes a procedure to be used when imposing a civil penalty.

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