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By Representative Dent

**NOT CONSIDERED 01/29/2020**

On page 3, line 25, after "state" insert ". The department may review a petition, but any order of drought emergency issued after receipt of a petition must be based on the definitions of drought condition and normal water supply set forth in section 1 of this act, and must be issued according to the procedure set forth in this section. The department may not rely exclusively on information presented in a petition when determining whether to issue an order of drought emergency"

EFFECT: Requires Ecology to base the decision to issue a drought emergency order in response to a petition on the definitions of drought condition and normal water supply and to follow established procedures when issuing a drought emergency order. Provides that Ecology may not rely exclusively on petitioner's information when making a determination to issue a drought emergency order.