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**SHB 1503** - H AMD **285**

By Representative Maycumber

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Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  A new section is added to chapter 36.70A RCW to read as follows:

This chapter, including but not limited to RCW 36.70A.070(1) and (5), does not preclude counties from authorizing inspections of on-site sewage systems to be conducted by a homeowner, a homeowner's family member, or a homeowner's tenant that has completed certification requirements specified by the county. Nothing in this section eliminates the requirement that counties protect water quality.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  A new section is added to chapter 70.118A RCW to read as follows:

Nothing in this chapter prohibits a county from relying on self-inspection of on-site sewage systems consistent with section 1 of this act for the purposes of protecting the quality or quantity of surface or groundwater resources under chapter 36.70A RCW.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  A new section is added to chapter 70.05 RCW to read as follows:

Nothing in this chapter prohibits a county from relying on self-inspection of on-site sewage systems consistent with section 1 of this act for the purposes of protecting the quality or quantity of surface or groundwater resources under chapter 36.70A RCW."

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|  | EFFECT:  Eliminates conditions restricting counties' authority to authorize on-site sewage system (OSS) self-inspections in instances where a water quality problem has been linked to poorly functioning on-site sewage systems. Specifies that the authority for certain counties to authorize OSS self-inspections does not eliminate the requirement that counties protect water quality. |

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