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## SENATE BILL 5013

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By Senator Conner.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the establishment of a deadline for a decision
- 2 on an application to withdraw ground water; and adding a new section to
- 3 chapter 90.44 RCW.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 90.44 RCW
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 The department shall make a decision as to the approval or denial
- 8 of a permit to withdraw ground water applied for pursuant to RCW
- 9 90.44.050 within nine months of the date of receipt of the application
- 10 by the department. For the purpose of implementing this section,
- 11 applications filed with the department prior to the effective date of
- 12 this act shall be considered to be applied for on the effective date of
- 13 this act.

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- 1 The department may make temporary changes in assignments to
- 2 employees to accomplish the purposes of the section.