

1851-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Revenue (originally sponsored by Representatives Wang and Holland; by request of Department of Ecology and Office of Financial Management)

Brief Description: Increasing fees and penalties related to the administration of the department of ecology's water resources program.

**HB 1851-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes fees for water rights and other related fees that reflect the cost of administering the water rights program of the department of ecology.

Increases civil penalties for noncompliance with state water resources laws and rules.

Establishes a fee advisory committee.

Requires biennial reports.

Prohibits the department from using fees to cover the cost of enforcement.