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Sponsor(s): Representatives Darneille, Skinner, Cody and Wood

Brief Description: Studying the costs and benefits of fluoride in public water supplies.

## HB 2703 - DIGEST

## (SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Finds that the state of Washington has a compelling need for current, reliable, and comprehensive information regarding the potential benefits of fluoridation in reducing expenditures incurred by medicaid and other public health programs.

Directs the department of health to study the costs and benefits of dental disease prevention through fluoridation of public water supplies.

Requires the department of health to submit a report of its findings to the legislature by December 31, 2002.