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Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Roach, T. Sheldon, Swecker, Winsley, Rasmussen and Franklin)

Brief Description: Establishing approval requirements for fluoridation of group A water systems.

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Finds that it is in the public interest that prior to the fluoridation of a group A water system as defined in RCW 70.119.020, the customers of the water system or the elected local water system governing body or operator directly responsible to the department of health for utility operations should make the final decision on the addition of fluoride to the water system.

Declares that the addition of fluoridation compounds to water provided by a group A water system as defined in RCW 70.119.020 not adding fluoridation compounds as of the effective date of this act shall be permitted only upon an affirmative vote of: (1) The water system's customers; or

(2) The water system's elected local governing body or operator directly responsible to the department for utility operations.