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Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Agriculture (originally sponsored

by Senators Swecker, Rasmussen and Sheahan)

Brief Description: Concerning commodity commissions.

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(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that the substance of a petition received under RCW 15.66.050 shall be set out in detail and designated as the proposal. A copy of the proposal shall be mailed to all affected parties or producers based on the list provided for in RCW 15.66.060 or 15.66.143, as applicable, and shall be posted on the department's web site. Based upon the findings, the director shall make conclusions and develop and issue a recommended decision. The findings, conclusions, and recommended decision, and the full text of the proposal shall be posted on the department's web site. For amendment and termination petitions, the affected commission may include a link on its web site to the department's web site.

Provides that, if the director's recommended decision does not make any changes to the proposal, notification will be made by mail in the form of a postcard reciting the director's recommended decision. The postcard will also include the department's web site address where any person can access the full text of the director's findings, conclusions, and recommended decision.

Provides that, if the director's recommended decision makes changes to the proposal or does not support the proposal, notification will be made by mail in the form of a letter describing the changes made or explaining the reason for not supporting the proposal and a referendum. The letter will also include the department's web site address where any person can access the full text of the director's findings, conclusions, and recommended decision.