
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1251

State of Washington

68th Legislature

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By House Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Stonier, Bateman, Reed, Riccelli, and Pollet)

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1 AN ACT Relating to water systems' notice to customers of public
2 health considerations; and adding a new section to chapter 70A.125
3 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70A.125
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 A public water system that considers commencing or discontinuing
8 fluoridation of its water supply on a continuing basis shall notify
9 its customers and the department of its intentions at least 90 days
10 prior to a vote or decision on the matter. The water system shall
11 notify its customers via radio, television, newspaper, regular mail,
12 electronic means, or any notification methods which effectively
13 notify customers at least 90 days prior to any meeting at which the
14 vote or decision will occur. Any public water system that violates
15 the notification requirements of this subsection shall return the
16 fluoridation of its water supply to its previous level until proper
17 notification is provided under the provisions of this section.

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