CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1251

68th Legislature 2023 Regular Session

Passed by the House February 9, 2023 Yeas 97 Nays 0

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate April 10, 2023 Yeas 48 Nays 0

CERTIFICATE

I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1251 as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

President of the Senate

Approved

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Secretary of State State of Washington

Governor of the State of Washington

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

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

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

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> 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 its customers and the department of its intentions at least 90 days 9 prior to a vote or decision on the matter. The water system shall 10 notify its customers via radio, television, newspaper, regular mail, 11 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 the notification requirements of this subsection shall return the 15 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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