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1 AN ACT Relating to on-site sewage disposal; adding new sections to
2 chapter 70.118 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 54.16 RCW; and
3 creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** It is the intent of the legislature to
6 encourage the use of properly designed, installed, and operating on-
7 site sewage systems appropriate for the local soil conditions, which
8 are cost-effective and environmentally sound means of sewage disposal.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 70.118 RCW
10 to read as follows:

11 An on-site sewage disposal system appropriate for the local soil
12 conditions that is designed by a professional engineer and installed
13 under the direct supervision of a professional engineer shall be deemed
14 to meet requirements and standards for on-site sewage disposal systems
15 that are established by the department of health and local board of
16 health.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 70.118 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 Local boards of health are encouraged to implement programs
4 involving the periodic monitoring and inspection of on-site sewage
5 disposal systems to ensure the adequate maintenance and operation of
6 these systems, and including the imposition of fees necessary to
7 finance these monitoring and inspection costs.

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 70.118 RCW
9 to read as follows:

10 Counties, sewer districts, public utility districts, and other
11 municipal corporations that provide sewerage utilities are encouraged
12 to provide and operate properly designed and operating on-site sewage
13 disposal systems as a cost-effective and environmentally sound means of
14 sewage disposal.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 54.16 RCW
16 to read as follows:

17 The authority of a public utility district to provide sewerage
18 systems includes on-site sewage disposal systems that are appropriate
19 for local soil conditions on the site.

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