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By Representatives Reardon, Linville, Stensen, Koster, Anderson, Wood, Cooper and Grant

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1 AN ACT Relating to applications for water rights; and adding a new
2 section to chapter 90.03 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 90.03 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The department is authorized to process and render decisions on
7 applications for change or transfer under this chapter and amendments
8 of ground water rights under chapter 90.44 RCW as a matter of higher
9 priority than processing and rendering decisions on applications for
10 new water rights. Any application for a new water right for which a
11 permit decision has not been made by the department at the time a
12 transfer, change, or amendment is approved shall not be considered an
13 existing water right subject to analysis as to whether the application
14 may be injured, impaired, or detrimentally affected by the transfer or
15 change.

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