

6760-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Environment, Energy & Water
(originally sponsored by Senators Fraser, Kline and Regala)

Brief Description: Concerning private owners of public water systems that are not regulated as public utilities.

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(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that the owner of a public water system, as the term public water system is defined in RCW 70.119A.020, that is not subject to regulation or jurisdiction under Title 80 RCW and that is not a municipal corporation or special purpose district, but who is a purveyor, as the term purveyor is defined in RCW 70.116.030, must provide potable water to every connection indicated in the approved subdivision, short subdivision, or other applicable land use regulation in which the public water system was indicated as the means of meeting requirements to provide potable water supplies.

Provides that the owner of property that is harmed by the failure of an owner of a public water system to provide potable water supply under this act may bring a civil action in the superior court for either injunctive relief or to recover the actual damages sustained, or both, together with the reasonable costs of the suit, including reasonable attorneys' fees.