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Sponsor(s): Representatives Schoesler and Cox

Brief Description: Permitting withdrawals of public ground waters.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Amends RCW 90.44.050 relating to withdrawals of public ground waters for domestic use of clustered residential developments.

Provides that, on a pilot project basis, the use of water for domestic use in clustered residential developments is exempt as described in this act from the permit requirements of RCW 90.44.050 in Whitman county. The department must review the use of water under this section and its impact on water resources in the county and report to the legislature by December 31st of each even-numbered year through 2016 regarding its review.

Provides that, for the pilot project, the domestic use of water for a clustered residential development is exempt from the permit requirements of RCW 90.44.050 for an amount of water that is not more than one thousand two hundred gallons a day per residence for a residential development that has an overall density equal to or less than one residence per ten acres, and a minimum of six homes.

Declares that no new right to use water may be established for a clustered development under this act where the first residential use of water for the development begins after December 31, 2015.