
SENATE BILL 5299

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By Senators Hargrove and Ranker

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1 AN ACT Relating to expediting appeals to the shoreline hearings
2 board and pollution control hearings board; adding a new section to
3 chapter 43.21B RCW; adding a new section to chapter 90.58 RCW; and
4 declaring an emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.21B RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 A party to an action before the pollution control hearings board
9 may request of the governor an expedited appeal. The governor may
10 grant the requesting party an expedited appeal at the governor's
11 discretion, if an expedited appeal would best serve the public
12 interest. In an expedited appeal, the pollution control hearings board
13 must conduct all proceedings and issue a written decision within thirty
14 days of the governor granting the request. The pollution control
15 hearings board may adopt rules for practices and procedures to
16 implement this section under RCW 43.21B.170.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 90.58 RCW
18 to read as follows:

1 A party to an action before the hearings board may request of the
2 governor an expedited appeal. The governor may grant the requesting
3 party an expedited appeal at the governor's discretion, if an expedited
4 appeal would best serve the public interest. In an expedited appeal,
5 the hearings board must conduct all proceedings and issue a written
6 decision within thirty days of the governor granting the request. The
7 hearings board may adopt rules for practices and procedures to
8 implement this section under RCW 90.58.175.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate
10 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
11 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
12 immediately.

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