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By Representatives Shea and McCaslin

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1 AN ACT Relating to identifying water rights for municipal water  
2 supply purposes; and amending RCW 90.03.560.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 90.03.560 and 2003 1st sp.s. c 5 s 3 are each  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (1) When requested by a municipal water supplier or when  
7 processing a change or amendment to the right, the department shall  
8 amend the water right documents and related records to ensure that  
9 water rights that are for municipal water supply purposes(~~(, as~~  
10 ~~defined in RCW 90.03.015,)~~) are correctly identified as being for  
11 municipal water supply purposes. This section authorizes a water  
12 right or portion of a water right held or acquired by a municipal  
13 water supplier that is for municipal water supply purposes (~~as~~  
14 ~~defined in RCW 90.03.015)) to be identified as being a water right~~  
15 for municipal water supply purposes. However, it does not authorize  
16 any other water right or other portion of a right held or acquired by  
17 a municipal water supplier to be so identified without the approval  
18 of a change or transfer of the right or portion of the right for such  
19 a purpose.

20 (2) For the purposes of this section, "municipal water supply  
21 purposes" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 90.03.015 and

1 includes irrigation or agricultural irrigation purpose of use water  
2 rights, and dairy purpose of use water rights, held or acquired by a  
3 municipal water supplier.

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