

SHB 1503 - H AMD 285

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

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4 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 36.70A
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 This chapter, including but not limited to RCW 36.70A.070(1) and
7 (5), does not preclude counties from authorizing inspections of on-
8 site sewage systems to be conducted by a homeowner, a homeowner's
9 family member, or a homeowner's tenant that has completed
10 certification requirements specified by the county. Nothing in this
11 section eliminates the requirement that counties protect water
12 quality.

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14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 70.118A
15 RCW to read as follows:

16 Nothing in this chapter prohibits a county from relying on self-
17 inspection of on-site sewage systems consistent with section 1 of
18 this act for the purposes of protecting the quality or quantity of
19 surface or groundwater resources under chapter 36.70A RCW.

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21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 70.05
22 RCW to read as follows:

23 Nothing in this chapter prohibits a county from relying on self-
24 inspection of on-site sewage systems consistent with section 1 of
25 this act for the purposes of protecting the quality or quantity of
26 surface or groundwater resources under chapter 36.70A RCW."

EFFECT: Eliminates conditions restricting counties' authority

to authorize on-site sewage system (OSS) self-inspections in instances where a water quality problem has been linked to poorly functioning on-site sewage systems. Specifies that the authority for certain counties to authorize OSS self-inspections does not eliminate the requirement that counties protect water quality.

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