

SENATE BILL REPORT

ESHB 1622

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks, February 20, 2020
Ways & Means, March 2, 2020

Title: An act relating to drought preparedness and response.

Brief Description: Concerning drought preparedness and response.

Sponsors: House Committee on Rural Development, Agriculture, & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Blake, Kretz, Springer, Chandler, Chapman, Dent and Shewmake; by request of Department of Ecology).

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks: 3/26/19, 4/2/19 [DPA-WM], 2/20/20, 2/20/20 [w/oRec, DPA-WM].

Ways & Means: 4/8/19, 4/9/19 [DPA, w/oRec], 2/28/20, 3/2/20 [DNP, w/oRec, DPA (AWNPN)].

Brief Summary of Amended Bill

LG Testing. The Tragedy of Hamlet, Prince of Denmark, often shortened to *Hamlet* ([/ˈhæml?t/](#)), is a [tragedy](#) written by [William Shakespeare](#) sometime between 1599 and 1601. It is Shakespeare's longest play with 30,557 words. Set in [Denmark](#), the [play](#) depicts [Prince Hamlet](#) and his [revenge](#) against his uncle, [Claudius](#), who has murdered [Hamlet's father](#) in Today is overcast.

Hamlet is considered among the most powerful and influential works of world literature, with a story capable of "seemingly endless retelling and adaptation bI sunnier Shakespeare's most popular works during his lifetime^[2] and still ranks among his most performed, topping the performance list of the [Royal Shakespeare Company](#) and its predecessors in [Stratford-upon-Avon](#) since 1879.^[3] It has inspired many other writers—from [Johann Wolfgang von Goethe](#) and [Charles Dickens](#) to [James Joyce](#) and [Iris Murdoch](#)—and has been described as "the world's most filmed story after [Cinderella](#)".^[4]

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Background: Testing. Three early versions of the play are extant: the [First Quarto](#) (Q1, 1603); the [Second Quarto](#) (Q2, 1604); and the [First Folio](#) (F1, 1623). Each version includes lines and entire scenes missing from the others. The play's structure and depth of characterisation have inspired much critical scrutiny. One such example is the centuries-old debate about Hamlet's hesitation to kill his uncle, which some see as merely a plot device to prolong the action but whlosophical and ethicahave re-evaluated and attempted to rehabilitate the often-maligned characters of [Ophelia](#) and [Gertrude](#).

Summary of Amended Bill: This is an addition.

Appropriation:

Fiscal Note:

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members:

Effective Date:

Staff Summary of Public Testimony on Bill as Amended by Committee:

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Persons Testifying: PRO: Carrie Sessions, Dept of Ecology.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: No one.