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**SENATE BILL 5945**

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**By** Senators McAuliffe, B. Sheldon, Fairley and Costa

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1 AN ACT Relating to the authority to issue civil penalties by health  
2 districts; adding a new section to chapter 70.46 RCW; and prescribing  
3 penalties.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.46 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 Health districts have the power to levy fines upon violators of  
8 environmental health statutes, rules, and regulations. Any person who  
9 violates a public health statute, or rules or regulations adopted under  
10 a public health statute, is subject to a civil penalty, assessed by the  
11 local board of health in whose jurisdiction the violation occurs.  
12 Penalties collected are to be placed into the pooling funds available  
13 for public health purposes as provided in RCW 70.08.080 and 70.12.030.

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