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Sponsor(s): Senators Kline, Fraser, Keiser and Jacobsen

Brief Description: Providing for citizen enforcement of health and environmental laws.

SB 5698 - DIGEST

Provides that any citizen may commence a civil action on his or her own behalf against any person who is alleged to have violated an environmental or public health standard or requirement, or an order issued by a governmental agency with respect to such a standard or requirement, if there is evidence of more than one day or instance of violation.

Authorizes the court, upon finding violation of an environmental or public health standard or requirement, to assess a civil penalty against the violator in an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars per violation per day of violation unless justice so requires.