

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5544

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning the leasing of state shoreline for the exploration of oil or gas.

Sponsors: Senators Owen, Rinehart, Spanel, Haugen, C. Anderson and Fraser.

Senate Committee on Natural Resources

Background: In 1989, the Legislature established a policy that there would be no leasing of Washington's tidal or submerged lands extending from the mean high tide seaward through the state-owned lands three miles out to sea along the entire coast of Washington. That prohibition and policy will expire July 1, 1995.

Summary: The July 1, 1995, date is changed to the year 2000 so that the moratorium remains in effect until then.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	48	0	
House	96	0	(House amended)
Senate			(Senate refused to concur)
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Senate	43	2	(Senate concurred)

Effective: July 23, 1995