

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SSB 6210

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Making technical and clarifying amendments to oil spill prevention and response statutes.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Environmental Quality & Water Resources (originally sponsored by Senators Fraser, Morton, Eide, Jacobsen, Fairley, Prentice, McAuliffe, Winsley, Franklin, Kline, Spanel and Kohl-Welles).

**Senate Committee on Environmental Quality & Water Resources**  
**House Committee on Agriculture & Ecology**

**Background:** The oil spill prevention and response statutes have not been updated since the early 1990s. Many references contained in these statutes are inaccurate or outdated. For example, the Office of Marine Safety was transferred to the Department of Ecology in 1996 and the Department of Fisheries and the Department of Wildlife were combined into the Department of Fish and Wildlife in 1994.

**Summary:** Internal statutory references are corrected and updated. Old dates are removed from the statutes. References to the Office of Marine Safety are replaced with the Department of Ecology. The oil spill administration account name is changed to the oil spill prevention account.

The reference to the Department of Fisheries and Department of Wildlife is updated to the Department of Fish and Wildlife. The Emergency Management Division reference reflects the relocation of that office from the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development to the State Military Department. The reference to the director of the Washington Conservation Corps is eliminated, as that position no longer exists.

A subsection of a 1990 amendment declaring it to be prospective and a study provision on tug boat standards are decodified. Several outdated statutes are decodified or repealed.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	47	0	
House	98	0	(House amended)
Senate	45	0	(Senate concurred)

**Effective:** June 8, 2000