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3 By Committee on Revenue

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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
- 6 following:
- 7 "PART I
- 8 GENERAL PROVISIONS"
- 9 "Sec. 101. 1990 c 116 s 1 (uncodified) is amended to read as
- 10 follows:
- 11 (1) The legislature ((finds)) declares that the increasing reliance
- 12 on water borne transportation as a source of supply for oil and
- 13 hazardous substances poses special concern for the state of Washington.
- 14 Each year billions of gallons of crude oil and refined petroleum
- 15 products and millions of pounds of hazardous substances are transported
- 16 by vessel on the navigable waters of the state. These shipments are
- 17 <u>expected to increase in the coming years.</u> Vessels transporting oil <u>and</u>
- 18 <u>hazardous substances</u> into Washington travel on some of the most unique
- 19 and special marine environments in the United States. These marine
- 20 environments are a source of natural beauty, recreation, and economic
- 21 livelihood for many residents of this state. As a result, the state
- 22 has an obligation to assure the citizens of the state that the waters
- 23 of the state ((used for water borne transportation)) will be protected
- 24 from oil and hazardous substance spills. ((The legislature declares
- 25 that this act is the first step in developing a comprehensive approach
- 26 to protecting this important and unique resource by developing a set of

- 1 procedures to respond to spills of oil and hazardous substances into
- 2 the state's waters.))
- 3 (2) The legislature ((also)) finds that prevention is the best
- 4 method to protect the unique and special marine environments in this
- 5 state. The technology for containing and cleaning up a spill of oil or
- 6 hazardous substances is in the early stages of development. Preventing
- 7 spills is more protective of the environment and more cost-effective
- 8 when all the costs associated with responding to a spill are
- 9 considered. ((The legislature declares that it will continue to
- 10 develop this first step in a comprehensive approach to protecting our
- 11 unique and special marine environment by adopting measures in future
- 12 sessions of the legislature to reduce the likelihood that a spill of
- 13 oil or hazardous substances will occur.))
- 14 (3) The legislature also finds that:
- 15 (a) Recent accidents in Washington, Alaska, southern California,
- 16 Texas, and other parts of the nation have shown that the
- 17 transportation, transfer, and storage of oil and hazardous substances
- 18 have caused significant damage to the marine environment;
- 19 <u>(b) Even with the best efforts, it is nearly impossible to remove</u>
- 20 <u>all oil or hazardous substances that are spilled into the water;</u>
- 21 (c) Washington's navigable waters are treasured environmental and
- 22 <u>economic resources that the state cannot afford to place at undue risk</u>
- 23 from an oil or hazardous substance spill; and
- 24 (d) The state has a fundamental responsibility, as the trustee of
- 25 the state's natural resources and the protector of public health and
- 26 the environment to prevent the spill of oil and hazardous substances.
- 27 (4) In order to establish a comprehensive prevention and response
- 28 program to protect Washington's waters and natural resources from
- 29 spills of oil, it is the purpose of this chapter:

- 1 (a) To establish state agency expertise in marine safety and to
- 2 <u>centralize</u> <u>state</u> <u>activities</u> <u>in</u> <u>spill</u> <u>prevention</u> <u>and</u> <u>response</u>
- 3 <u>activities;</u>
- 4 (b) To prevent spills of oil and to promote programs that reduce
- 5 the risk of both catastrophic and small chronic spills;
- 6 (c) To ensure that responsible parties are liable, and have the
- 7 resources and ability, to respond to spills and provide compensation
- 8 for all costs and damages;
- 9 (d) To provide for state spill response and wildlife rescue
- 10 planning and implementation;
- 11 (e) To support and complement the federal oil pollution act of 1990
- 12 and other federal law, especially those provisions relating to the
- 13 national contingency plan for cleanup of oil and hazardous substance
- 14 spills and discharges, including provisions relating to the
- 15 responsibilities of state agencies designated as natural resource
- 16 trustees. The legislature intends this chapter to be interpreted and
- 17 implemented in a manner consistent with federal law;
- 18 (f) To provide broad powers of regulation to the department of
- 19 ecology relating to spill prevention and response;
- 20 (g) To provide for an independent oversight board to review the
- 21 adequacy of spill prevention and response activities in this state; and
- 22 (h) To provide an adequate funding source for state response and
- 23 prevention programs."
- 24 "Sec. 102. RCW 90.48.315 and 1990 c 116 s 2 are each amended to
- 25 read as follows:
- 26 For purposes of ((RCW 90.48.315 through 90.48.410, 78.52.020,
- 27 78.52.125, 82.36.330, 90.48.903, 90.48.906, and 90.48.907)) this
- 28 chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context
- 29 indicates otherwise:

- 1 (1) <u>"Administrator" means the administrator of the office of marine</u>
 2 <u>safety created in section 402 of this 1991 act.</u>
- 3 (2) "Best achievable protection" means the highest level of
- 4 protection that can be achieved through the use of the best achievable
- 5 technology and those staffing levels, training procedures, and
- 6 operational methods that provide the greatest degree of protection
- 7 achievable. The director's determination of best achievable protection
- 8 shall be guided by the critical need to protect the state's natural
- 9 resources and waters, while considering (a) the additional protection
- 10 provided by the measures; (b) the technological achievability of the
- 11 measures; and (c) the cost of the measures. It is not the intent of
- 12 the legislature that the director use a cost-benefit or
- 13 cost-effectiveness analysis or any particular method of analysis in
- 14 <u>determining which measures to require.</u>
- 15 (3) "Best achievable technology" means the technology that provides
- 16 the greatest degree of protection taking into consideration (a)
- 17 processes that are being developed, or could feasibly be developed,
- 18 given overall reasonable expenditures on research and development, and
- 19 (b) processes that are currently in use. In determining what is best
- 20 <u>achievable technology</u>, the director shall consider the effectiveness,
- 21 engineering feasibility, and commercial availability of the technology.
- 22 (4) "Board" ((shall)) means the pollution control hearings board.
- $((\frac{2}{2}))$ (5) "Cargo vessel" means a ship in commerce, other than a
- 24 tank vessel or a passenger vessel, of three hundred gross tons or more,
- 25 <u>including but not limited to, commercial fish processing vessels and</u>
- 26 <u>freighters</u>.
- (((3))) (6) "Bulk" means material that is stored or transported in
- 28 <u>a loose, unpackaged liquid, powder, or granular form capable of being</u>
- 29 conveyed by a pipe, bucket, chute, or belt system.

- 1 (7) "Committee" ((shall)) means the preassessment screening
- 2 committee established under RCW 90.48.368.
- $((\frac{4}{1}))$ (8) "Covered vessel" means a tank vessel, cargo vessel, or
- 4 passenger vessel.
- 5 $((\frac{5}{1}))$ <u>(9)</u> "Department" $(\frac{5}{1})$ means the department of ecology.
- 6 $((\frac{(6)}{(10)}))$ "Director" $(\frac{(shall)}{(10)})$ means the director of the
- 7 department of ecology.
- 8 $((\frac{7}{1}))$ (11) "Discharge" $(\frac{1}{1})$ means any spilling, leaking,
- 9 pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, or dumping.
- 10 $((\frac{8}{8}))$ (12)(a) "Facility" means any structure, group of
- 11 structures, equipment, pipeline, or device, other than a vessel,
- 12 ((located on or near the navigable waters of the state that receives
- 13 oil in bulk from a tank vessel,)) that is used for producing, storing,
- 14 handling, transferring, processing, or transporting oil in bulk((, and
- 15 is capable of storing ten thousand or more gallons of oil)).
- 16 (b) A facility does not include any: (i) Railroad car, motor
- 17 vehicle, or other rolling stock ((used to transport)) while
- 18 transporting oil over the highways or rail lines of this state; (ii)
- 19 <u>underground storage tank regulated by the department or a local</u>
- 20 government under chapter 90.76 RCW; (iii) a motor vehicle motor fuel
- 21 outlet; or (iv) a facility that is operated as part of an exempt
- 22 agricultural activity as provided in RCW 82.04.330.
- 23 $((\frac{9}{}))$ <u>(13)</u> "Fund" $(\frac{\text{shall}}{})$ means the state coastal protection
- 24 fund as provided in RCW 90.48.390 and 90.48.400 as recodified by this
- 25 <u>1991 act</u>.
- 26 (((10))) (14) "Having control over oil" shall include but not be
- 27 limited to any person using, storing, or transporting oil immediately
- 28 prior to entry of such oil into the waters of the state, and shall
- 29 specifically include carriers and bailees of such oil.

- 1 (((11) "Maximum probable spill" means the maximum probable spill
- 2 for a vessel operating in state waters considering the history of
- 3 spills of vessels of the same class operating on the west coast of the
- 4 United States, Alaska, and British Columbia.
- (12)) (15) "Navigable waters of the state" means those waters of
- 6 the state, and their adjoining shorelines, that are subject to the ebb
- 7 and flow of the tide and/or are presently used, have been used in the
- 8 past, or may be susceptible for use to transport intrastate,
- 9 interstate, or foreign commerce.
- 10 $((\frac{13}{13}))$ (16) "Necessary expenses" means the expenses incurred by
- 11 the department and assisting state agencies for (a) investigating the
- 12 source of the discharge; (b) investigating the extent of the
- 13 environmental damage caused by the discharge; (c) conducting actions
- 14 necessary to clean up the discharge; (d) conducting predamage and
- 15 damage assessment studies; and (e) enforcing the provisions of this
- 16 chapter and collecting for damages caused by a discharge.
- 17 $((\frac{14}{14}))$ or "oils" $(\frac{17}{14})$ means $(\frac{17}{14})$ means $(\frac{17}{14})$
- 18 occurring liquid hydrocarbons at atmospheric temperature and pressure
- 19 coming from the earth, including condensate and natural gasoline, and
- 20 any fractionation thereof, including ((gasoline)), but not limited to,
- 21 crude oil, petroleum, gasoline, fuel oil, diesel oil, ((lubricating
- 22 oil,)) oil sludge, oil refuse, ((liquid natural gas, propane, butane,
- 23 oils distilled from coal, and other liquid hydrocarbons regardless of
- 24 specific gravity, or any other petroleum related product)) and oil
- 25 mixed with wastes other than dredged spoil. Oil does not include any
- 26 substance listed in Table 302.4 of 40 C.F.R. Part 302 adopted August
- 27 14, 1989, under section 101(14) of the federal comprehensive
- 28 environmental response, compensation, and liability act of 1980, as
- 29 <u>amended by P.L. 99-499</u>.

- 1 (((15))) (18) "Offshore facility" means any facility located in,
- 2 on, or under any of the navigable waters of the state, but does not
- 3 include a facility any part of which is located in, on, or under any
- 4 land of the state, other than submerged land.
- 5 (19) "Onshore facility" means any facility any part of which is
- 6 located in, on, or under any land of the state, other than submerged
- 7 land, that because of its location, could reasonably be expected to
- 8 <u>cause substantial harm to the environment by discharging oil into or on</u>
- 9 the navigable waters of the state or the adjoining shorelines.
- 10 (20)(a) "Owner or operator" means (i) in the case of a vessel, any
- 11 person owning, operating, or chartering by devise, the vessel; (ii) in
- 12 the case of an onshore or offshore facility, any person owning or
- 13 operating the facility; and (iii) in the case of an abandoned vessel or
- 14 onshore or offshore facility, the person who owned or operated the
- 15 <u>vessel</u> or facility immediately before its abandonment.
- 16 (b) "Operator" does not include any person who owns the land
- 17 <u>underlying a facility if the person is not involved in the operations</u>
- 18 of the facility.
- 19 (21) "Passenger vessel" means a ship of three hundred or more gross
- 20 tons carrying passengers for compensation.
- 21 $((\frac{16}{10}))$ (22) "Person" $(\frac{10}{10})$ means any political subdivision,
- 22 government agency, municipality, industry, public or private
- 23 corporation, copartnership, association, firm, individual, or any other
- 24 entity whatsoever ((and any owner, operator, master, officer, or
- 25 employee of a ship)).
- (((17))) (23) "Ship" ((shall)) means any boat, ship, vessel, barge,
- 27 or other floating craft of any kind.
- 28 (((18))) <u>(24)</u> "Spill" means ((a)) <u>an unauthorized</u> discharge of oil
- 29 or hazardous substances into the waters of the state.

- 1 (((19))) (25) "Tank vessel" means a ship that is constructed or
- 2 adapted to carry, or that carries, oil in bulk as cargo or cargo
- 3 residue, and that:
- 4 (a) Operates on the waters of the state; or
- 5 (b) Transfers oil in a port or place subject to the jurisdiction of
- 6 this state.
- 7 $((\frac{20}{10}))$ (26) "Technical feasibility" or "technically feasible"
- 8 shall mean that given available technology, a restoration or
- 9 enhancement project can be successfully completed at a cost that is not
- 10 disproportionate to the value of the resource prior to the injury.
- 11 $((\frac{(21)}{21}))$ "Waters of the state" $(\frac{(shall)}{21})$ includes lakes,
- 12 rivers, ponds, streams, inland waters, underground water, salt waters,
- 13 estuaries, tidal flats, beaches and lands adjoining the seacoast of the
- 14 state, sewers, and all other surface waters and watercourses within the
- 15 jurisdiction of the state of Washington.
- 16 (((22))) <u>(28)</u> "Worst case spill" means: (a) <u>In the case of a</u>
- 17 <u>vessel</u>, a spill of the entire cargo <u>and fuel</u> of ((a tank)) <u>the</u> vessel
- 18 complicated by adverse weather conditions; and (b) in the case of an
- 19 onshore or offshore facility, the largest foreseeable spill in adverse
- 20 <u>weather conditions</u>."
- 21 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 103. DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR SPILL RESPONSE.
- 22 Except as otherwise specifically provided in this chapter or other law,
- 23 the director has the primary authority, in conformance with the state-
- 24 wide master oil and hazardous substance spill prevention and
- 25 contingency plan adopted pursuant to RCW 90.48.378 as recodified by
- 26 this act and any applicable contingency plans prepared pursuant to this
- 27 chapter and chapter 88.-- RCW (sections 413 through 424 of this act),
- 28 to oversee prevention, abatement, response, containment, and cleanup
- 29 efforts with regard to any oil or hazardous substance spill in the

- 1 navigable waters of the state. The director is the head of the state
- 2 incident command system in response to a spill of oil or hazardous
- 3 substances and shall coordinate the response efforts of all state
- 4 agencies and local emergency response personnel. If a discharge of oil
- 5 or hazardous substances is subject to the national contingency plan, in
- 6 responding to the discharge, the director shall to the greatest extent
- 7 practicable act in accordance with the national contingency plan and
- 8 cooperate with the federal on-scene coordinator or other federal agency
- 9 or official exercising authority under the national contingency plan."
- 10 "Sec. 104. RCW 90.48.370 and 1971 ex.s. c 180 s 2 are each amended
- 11 to read as follows:
- 12 The powers, duties, and functions conferred by ((RCW 78.52.020,
- 13 78.52.125, 82.36.330, 90.48.315, 90.48.370 through 90.48.410,
- 14 90.48.903, 90.48.906 and 90.48.907)) this chapter shall be exercised by
- 15 the department of ecology and shall be deemed an essential government
- 16 function in the exercise of the police power of the state. Such
- 17 powers, duties, and functions of the department ((and those conferred
- 18 by RCW 90.48.315 through 90.48.365)) shall extend to all waters
- 19 ((within the boundaries)) under the jurisdiction of the state."
- 20 "Sec. 105. RCW 90.48.365 and 1987 c 109 s 153 are each amended to
- 21 read as follows:
- 22 ((RCW 90.48.315 through 90.48.365 shall)) <u>This chapter</u> grant<u>s</u>
- 23 authority to the department which is supplemental to and in no way
- 24 reduces or otherwise modifies the powers ((heretofore)) granted to the
- 25 department((, except as it may directly conflict therewith)) by other
- 26 <u>statutes</u>."

- 1 "Sec. 106. RCW 90.48.380 and 1971 ex.s. c 180 s 3 are each amended
- 2 to read as follows:
- The department may adopt rules ((and regulations)) including but
- 4 not limited to the following matters:
- 5 (1) Procedures and methods of reporting discharges and other
- 6 occurrences prohibited by ((RCW 90.48.315 through 90.48.365 and RCW
- 7 78.52.020, 78.52.125, 82.36.330, 90.48.315, 90.48.370 through
- 8 90.48.410, 90.48.903, 90.48.906 and 90.48.907)) this chapter;
- 9 (2) Procedures, methods, means, and equipment to be used by persons
- 10 subject to regulation by ((RCW 90.48.315 through 90.48.365 and RCW
- 11 78.52.020, 78.52.125, 82.36.330, 90.48.315, 90.48.370 through
- 12 90.48.410, 90.48.903, 90.48.906 and 90.48.907)) this chapter and such
- 13 rules ((and regulations)) may prescribe the times, places, and methods
- 14 of transfer of oil;
- 15 (3) Coordination of procedures, methods, means, and equipment to be
- 16 used in the removal of oil ((pollutants));
- 17 (4) Development and implementation of criteria and plans to meet
- 18 oil ((pollution occurrences)) spills of various kinds and degrees;
- 19 (5) The establishment ((from time to time of control districts
- 20 comprising sections of the state coast and the establishment of rules
- 21 and regulations to meet the particular requirements of each such
- 22 district;
- 23 (6))) of standards for spill response equipment to be maintained on
- 24 <u>tank vessels;</u>
- 25 (6) When and under what circumstances, if any, chemical agents,
- 26 such as coagulants, dispersants, and bioremediation, may be used in
- 27 response to an oil spill;
- 28 (7) The disposal of oil recovered from a spill; and
- 29 (8) Such other rules and regulations as the exigencies of any
- 30 condition may require or such as may be reasonably necessary to carry

- 1 out the intent of ((RCW 90.48.315 through 90.48.365 and RCW 78.52.020,
- 2 78.52.125, 82.36.330, 90.48.315, 90.48.370 through 90.48.410,
- 3 90.48.903, 90.48.906 and 90.48.907)) this chapter."
- 4 "Sec. 107. RCW 90.48.378 and 1990 c 116 s 10 are each amended to
- 5 read as follows:
- 6 (1) ((Not later than July 1, 1991,)) The department shall prepare
- 7 and ((thereafter)) annually update a state-wide master oil and
- 8 hazardous substance spill prevention and contingency plan. In
- 9 preparing the plan, the department shall consult with an advisory
- 10 committee representing diverse interests concerned with oil and
- 11 hazardous substance spills, including the office of marine safety, the
- 12 <u>United States coast guard, the federal environmental protection agency,</u>
- 13 state agencies, local governments, port districts, private facilities,
- 14 environmental organizations, oil companies, shipping companies,
- 15 containment and cleanup contractors, tow companies, and hazardous
- 16 substance manufacturers.
- 17 (2) The state master plan prepared under this section shall at a
- 18 minimum:
- 19 (a) Take into consideration the elements of oil spill prevention
- 20 and contingency plans approved or submitted for approval pursuant to
- 21 ((RCW 90.48.371)) this chapter and chapter 88.-- RCW (sections 413)
- 22 through 424 of this act) and oil and hazardous substance spill
- 23 contingency plans prepared pursuant to other state or federal law or
- 24 prepared by federal agencies and regional entities;
- 25 (b) State the respective responsibilities as established by
- 26 relevant statutes and rules of each of the following in the prevention
- 27 of and the assessment, containment, and cleanup of a ((catastrophic
- 28 oil)) worst case spill ((or of a significant spill)) of ((a)) oil or
- 29 hazardous substances into the environment of the state: (i) State

- 1 agencies; (ii) local governments; (iii) appropriate federal agencies;
- 2 (iv) facility operators; (v) property owners whose land or other
- 3 property may be affected by the oil or hazardous substance spill; and
- 4 (vi) other parties identified by the department as having an interest
- 5 in or the resources to assist in the containment and cleanup of an oil
- 6 or hazardous substance spill;
- 7 (c) State the respective responsibilities of the parties identified
- 8 in (b) of this subsection in an emergency response;
- 9 (d) Identify actions necessary to reduce the likelihood of
- 10 ((catastrophic oil)) spills ((and significant spills)) of oil and
- 11 hazardous substances; ((and))
- 12 (e) Identify and obtain mapping of environmentally sensitive areas
- 13 at particular risk to oil and hazardous substance spills; and
- (f) Establish an incident command system for responding to oil and
- 15 <u>hazardous substance spills</u>.
- 16 (3) In preparing and updating the state master plan, the department
- 17 shall:
- 18 (a) Consult with federal, provincial, municipal, and community
- 19 officials, other state agencies, the state of Oregon, and with
- 20 representatives of affected regional organizations;
- 21 (b) Submit the draft plan to the public for review and comment;
- 22 (c) Submit to the appropriate standing committees of the
- 23 legislature for review, not later than November 1 of each year, the
- 24 plan and any annual revision of the plan; and
- 25 (d) Require or schedule unannounced oil spill drills as required by
- 26 RCW 90.48.374 as recodified by this 1991 act to test the sufficiency of
- 27 oil spill contingency plans approved under RCW 90.48.371 as recodified
- 28 <u>by this 1991 act</u>."

- 1 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 108. COORDINATION WITH FEDERAL LAW. In
- 2 carrying out the purposes of this chapter, including the adoption of
- 3 rules for contingency plans, the department shall to the greatest
- 4 extent practicable implement this chapter in a manner consistent with
- 5 federal law."
- 6 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 109. HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES INCIDENT RESPONSE
- 7 TRAINING AND EDUCATION PROGRAM. Not later than twelve months after the
- 8 effective date of this section, the division of emergency management
- 9 shall establish and manage the Washington oil and hazardous substances
- 10 incident response training and education program to provide approved
- 11 classes in hazardous substance response, taught by trained instructors,
- 12 and to certify students who have completed these classes. To carry out
- 13 this program, the division of emergency management shall:
- 14 (1) Adopt rules necessary to implement the program;
- 15 (2) Establish a training and education program by developing the
- 16 curriculum to be used in the program in colleges, academies, and other
- 17 educational institutions;
- 18 (3) Certify students who have successfully completed a class
- 19 approved as meeting the requirements of the program;
- 20 (4) Provide training to local oil and hazardous materials emergency
- 21 response personnel; and
- 22 (5) Establish and collect admission fees and other fees that may be
- 23 necessary to the program."
- 24 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 110. SMALL SPILL PREVENTION EDUCATION PROGRAM.
- 25 (1) The Washington sea grant program, in consultation with the
- 26 department, shall develop and conduct a voluntary spill prevention
- 27 education program that targets small spills from commercial fishing
- 28 vessels, ferries, cruise ships, ports, and marinas. Washington sea

- 1 grant shall coordinate the spill prevention education program with
- 2 recreational boater education performed by the state parks and
- 3 recreation commission.
- 4 (2) The spill prevention education program shall illustrate ways to
- 5 reduce oil contamination of bilge water, accidental spills of hydraulic
- 6 fluid and other hazardous substances during routine maintenance, and
- 7 reduce spillage during refueling. The program shall illustrate proper
- 8 disposal of oil and hazardous substances and promote strategies to meet
- 9 shoreside oil and hazardous substance handling, and disposal needs of
- 10 the targeted groups. The program shall include a series of training
- 11 workshops and the development of educational materials."
- 12 "PART II
- 13 FACILITY AND VESSEL PLANS"
- 14 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 201. PREVENTION PLANS. (1) The owner or
- 15 operator for each onshore and offshore facility shall prepare and
- 16 submit to the department an oil spill prevention plan in conformance
- 17 with the requirements of this chapter. The plans shall be submitted to
- 18 the department in the time and manner directed by the department, but
- 19 not later than January 1, 1993. The spill prevention plan may be
- 20 consolidated with a spill contingency plan submitted pursuant to RCW
- 21 90.48.371 as recodified by this act. The department may accept plans
- 22 prepared to comply with other state or federal law as spill prevention
- 23 plans to the extent those plans comply with the requirements of this
- 24 chapter. The department, by rule, shall establish standards for spill
- 25 prevention plans. The rules shall be adopted not later than July 1,
- 26 1992.
- 27 (2) The spill prevention plan for an onshore or offshore facility
- 28 shall:

- 1 (a) Establish compliance with the federal oil pollution act of
- 2 1990, if applicable, and financial responsibility requirements under
- 3 federal and state law;
- 4 (b) Certify that supervisory and other key personnel in charge of
- 5 transfer, storage, and handling of oil have received certification
- 6 pursuant to section 203 of this act;
- 7 (c) Certify that the facility has an operations manual required by
- 8 section 204 of this act;
- 9 (d) Certify the implementation of alcohol and drug use awareness
- 10 programs;
- 11 (e) Describe the facility's maintenance and inspection program and
- 12 contain a current maintenance and inspection record of the storage and
- 13 transfer facilities and related equipment;
- (f) Describe the facility's alcohol and drug treatment programs;
- 15 (g) Describe spill prevention technology that has been installed,
- 16 including overflow alarms, automatic overflow cut-off switches,
- 17 secondary containment facilities, and storm water retention, treatment,
- 18 and discharge systems;
- 19 (h) Describe any discharges of oil to the land or the water of more
- 20 than twenty-five barrels in the prior five years and the measures taken
- 21 to prevent a reoccurrence;
- (i) Describe spill prevention technologies that are commercially
- 23 available but have not been installed and the reasons for the decision;
- 24 (j) Describe the procedures followed by the facility to contain and
- 25 recover any oil that spills during the transfer of oil to or from the
- 26 facility;
- 27 (k) Provide for the incorporation into the facility during the
- 28 period covered by the plan of those measures that will provide the best
- 29 achievable protection for the public health and the environment; and

- 1 (1) Include any other information reasonably necessary to carry out
- 2 the purposes of this chapter required by rules adopted by the
- 3 department.
- 4 (3) The department shall only approve a prevention plan if it
- 5 provides the best achievable protection from damages caused by the
- 6 discharge of oil into the waters of the state and if it determines that
- 7 the plan meets the requirements of this section and rules adopted by
- 8 the department.
- 9 (4) Upon approval of a prevention plan, the department shall
- 10 provide to the person submitting the plan a statement indicating that
- 11 the plan has been approved, the facilities covered by the plan, and
- 12 other information the department determines should be included.
- 13 (5) The approval of a prevention plan shall be valid for five
- 14 years. An owner or operator of a facility shall notify the department
- 15 in writing immediately of any significant change of which it is aware
- 16 affecting its prevention plan, including changes in any factor set
- 17 forth in this section or in rules adopted by the department. The
- 18 department may require the owner or operator to update a prevention
- 19 plan as a result of these changes.
- 20 (6) The department by rule shall require prevention plans to be
- 21 reviewed, updated, if necessary, and resubmitted to the department at
- 22 least once every five years.
- 23 (7) Approval of a prevention plan by the department does not
- 24 constitute an express assurance regarding the adequacy of the plan nor
- 25 constitute a defense to liability imposed under this chapter or other
- 26 state law.
- 27 (8) This section does not authorize the department to modify the
- 28 terms of a collective bargaining agreement."

- 1 "Sec. 202. RCW 90.48.371 and 1990 c 116 s 3 are each amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 (1) Each <u>onshore and offshore</u> facility ((and covered vessel)) shall
- 4 have a contingency plan for the containment and cleanup of oil spills
- 5 from the facility ((or covered vessel)) into the waters of the state
- 6 and for the protection of fisheries and wildlife, natural resources,
- 7 and public and private property from such spills. The department shall
- 8 by rule adopt and periodically revise standards for the preparation of
- 9 contingency plans. ((The rules for facilities and, except as otherwise
- 10 provided in this subsection, for covered vessels shall be adopted not
- 11 later than July 1, 1991. The department shall exclude from the rules
- 12 to be adopted by July 1, 1991, standards for tank vessels of less than
- 13 twenty thousand deadweight tons, cargo vessels, and passenger vessels
- 14 operating on the portion of the Columbia river for which the department
- 15 determines that Washington and Oregon should cooperate in the adoption
- 16 of standards for contingency plans. The department, after consultation
- 17 with the appropriate state agencies in Oregon, shall adopt the rules
- 18 for standards for contingency plans for this portion of the Columbia
- 19 river at the earliest possible time, but not later than July 1, 1992.))
- 20 The department shall require contingency plans, at a minimum, to meet
- 21 the following standards:
- 22 (a) Include full details of the method of response to spills of
- 23 various sizes from any ((vessel, ship, or)) facility which is covered
- 24 by the plan;
- 25 (b) Be designed to be capable in terms of personnel, materials, and
- 26 equipment, of promptly and properly, to the maximum extent practicable,
- 27 as defined by the department((÷
- 28 (i) Removing oil and minimizing any damage to the environment
- 29 resulting from a maximum probable spill; and

- (ii))) <u>removing</u> oil and minimizing any damage to the environment
- 2 resulting from a worst case spill;
- 3 (c) Provide a clear, precise, and detailed description of how the
- 4 plan relates to and is integrated into relevant contingency plans which
- 5 have been prepared by cooperatives, ports, regional entities, the
- 6 state, and the federal government;
- 7 (d) Provide procedures for early detection of oil spills and timely
- 8 notification of such spills to appropriate federal, state, and local
- 9 authorities under applicable state and federal law;
- 10 (e) State the number, training preparedness, and fitness of all
- 11 dedicated, prepositioned personnel assigned to direct and implement the
- 12 plan;
- 13 (f) Incorporate periodic training and drill programs to evaluate
- 14 whether personnel and equipment provided under the plan are in a state
- 15 of operational readiness at all times;
- 16 (g) <u>Describe important features of the surrounding environment</u>,
- 17 <u>including fish and wildlife habitat, environmentally sensitive areas,</u>
- 18 and public facilities. The departments of ecology, fisheries,
- 19 <u>wildlife</u>, and natural resources, upon request, shall provide
- 20 <u>information that they have available to assist in preparing this</u>
- 21 <u>description</u>;
- 22 (h) State the means of protecting and mitigating effects on the
- 23 environment, including fish, marine mammals, and other wildlife, and
- 24 ensure that implementation of the plan does not pose unacceptable risks
- 25 to the public or the environment;
- 26 ((\(\frac{h}\)) Provide a detailed description of equipment and procedures to
- 27 be used by the crew of a vessel to minimize vessel damage, stop or
- 28 reduce any spilling from the vessel, and, only when appropriate and the
- 29 vessel/safety is assured, contain and clean up the spilled oil;))

- 1 (i) Provide arrangements for the prepositioning of oil spill
- 2 containment and cleanup equipment and trained personnel at strategic
- 3 locations from which they can be deployed to the spill site to promptly
- 4 and properly remove the spilled oil;
- 5 (j) Provide arrangements for enlisting the use of qualified and
- 6 trained cleanup personnel to implement the plan;
- 7 (k) Provide for disposal of recovered spilled oil in accordance
- 8 with local, state, and federal laws;
- 9 (1) <u>Until a spill prevention plan has been submitted pursuant to</u>
- 10 <u>section 201 of this 1991 act, s</u>tate the measures that have been taken
- 11 to reduce the likelihood that a spill will occur, including but not
- 12 limited to, design and operation of a ((vessel or)) facility, training
- 13 of personnel, number of personnel, and backup systems designed to
- 14 prevent a spill;
- 15 (m) State the amount and type of equipment available to respond to
- 16 a spill, where the equipment is located, and the extent to which other
- 17 contingency plans rely on the same equipment; and
- 18 (n) If the department has adopted rules permitting the use of
- 19 dispersants, the circumstances, if any, and the manner for the
- 20 application of the dispersants in conformance with the department's
- 21 rules.
- 22 (2)(a) ((Contingency plans for facilities capable of storing one
- 23 million gallons or more of oil and for tank vessels of twenty thousand
- 24 deadweight tons or more shall be submitted to the department)) The
- 25 <u>following shall submit contingency plans to the department</u> within six
- 26 months after the department adopts rules establishing standards for
- 27 contingency plans under subsection (1) of this section:
- 28 <u>(i) Onshore facilities capable of storing one million gallons or</u>
- 29 more of oil;

- 1 (ii) Onshore facilities capable of storing or handling hazardous
- 2 substances in bulk in quantities determined by the department to pose
- 3 a significant risk of harm to the public health or the environment; and
- 4 <u>(iii) Offshore facilities</u>.
- 5 (b) ((Except as otherwise provided in (c) of this subsection,))
- 6 Contingency plans for all other facilities ((and covered vessels))
- 7 shall be submitted to the department within eighteen months after the
- 8 department has adopted rules under subsection (1) of this section. The
- 9 department may adopt a schedule for submission of plans within the
- 10 eighteen-month period.
- 11 (((c) Contingency plans for covered vessels which are not required
- 12 to submit plans within the six month period prescribed in (a) of this
- 13 subsection and which operate on the portion of the Columbia river for
- 14 which the department must adopt rules not later than July 1, 1992,
- 15 shall be submitted to the department not later than January 1, 1993.))
- 16 (3)(a) The owner or operator of a facility shall submit the
- 17 contingency plan for the facility.
- 18 (b) ((The owner or operator of a tank vessel or of the facilities
- 19 at which the vessel will be unloading its cargo shall submit the
- 20 contingency plan for the tank vessel. Subject to conditions imposed by
- 21 the department, the owner or operator of a facility may submit a single
- 22 contingency plan for tank vessels of a particular class that will be
- 23 unloading cargo at the facility.
- 24 (c) The contingency plan for a cargo vessel or passenger vessel may
- 25 be submitted by the owner or operator of the cargo vessel or passenger
- 26 vessel or by the agent for the vessel resident in this state. Subject
- 27 to conditions imposed by the department, the owner, operator, or agent
- 28 may submit a single contingency plan for cargo vessels or passenger
- 29 vessels of a particular class.

- 1 (d))) A person who has contracted with a facility ((or covered
- 2 vessel)) to provide containment and cleanup services and who meets the
- 3 standards established pursuant to RCW 90.48.372 as recodified by this
- 4 1991 act, may submit the plan for any facility ((or covered vessel))
- 5 for which the person is contractually obligated to provide services.
- 6 Subject to conditions imposed by the department, the person may submit
- 7 a single plan for more than one facility ((or covered vessel)).
- 8 (4) A contingency plan prepared for an agency of the federal
- 9 government or another state that satisfies the requirements of this
- 10 section and rules adopted by the department may be accepted by the
- 11 department as a contingency plan under this section. The department
- 12 shall assure that to the greatest extent possible, requirements for
- 13 contingency plans under this section are consistent with the
- 14 requirements for contingency plans under federal law.
- 15 (5) In reviewing the contingency plans required by this section,
- 16 the department shall consider at least the following factors:
- 17 (a) The adequacy of containment and cleanup equipment, personnel,
- 18 communications equipment, notification procedures and call down lists,
- 19 response time, and logistical arrangements for coordination and
- 20 implementation of response efforts to remove oil ((and hazardous
- 21 substance)) spills promptly and properly and to protect the
- 22 environment;
- 23 (b) The nature and amount of vessel traffic within the area covered
- 24 by the plan;
- 25 (c) The volume and type of oil ((or hazardous substances)) being
- 26 transported within the area covered by the plan;
- 27 (d) The existence of navigational hazards within the area covered
- 28 by the plan;
- 29 (e) The history and circumstances surrounding prior spills of oil
- 30 and hazardous substances within the area covered by the plan;

- 1 $\,$ (f) The sensitivity of fisheries and wildlife and other natural
- 2 resources within the area covered by the plan;
- 3 (g) Relevant information on previous spills contained in on-scene
- 4 coordinator reports prepared by the department; and
- 5 (h) The extent to which reasonable, cost-effective measures to
- 6 prevent a likelihood that a spill will occur have been incorporated
- 7 into the plan.
- 8 (6) The department shall approve a contingency plan only if it
- 9 determines that the plan meets the requirements of this section and
- 10 that, if implemented, the plan is capable, in terms of personnel,
- 11 materials, and equipment, of removing oil ((or hazardous substances))
- 12 promptly and properly and minimizing any damage to the environment.
- 13 (7) The approval of the contingency plan shall be valid for five
- 14 years. Upon approval of a contingency plan, the department shall
- 15 provide to the person submitting the plan a statement indicating that
- 16 the plan has been approved, the facilities or vessels covered by the
- 17 plan, and other information the department determines should be
- 18 included.
- 19 (8) An owner or operator of a ((vessel, ship, or)) facility shall
- 20 notify the department in writing immediately of any significant change
- 21 of which it is aware affecting its contingency plan, including changes
- 22 in any factor set forth in this section or in rules adopted by the
- 23 department. The department may require the owner or operator to update
- 24 a contingency plan as a result of these changes.
- 25 (9) The department by rule shall require contingency plans to be
- 26 reviewed, updated, if necessary, and resubmitted to the department at
- 27 least once every five years.
- 28 (10) Approval of a contingency plan by the department does not
- 29 constitute an express assurance regarding the adequacy of the plan nor

- 1 constitute a defense to liability imposed under this chapter or other
- 2 state law."
- 3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 203. FACILITY OPERATION STANDARDS. (1) The
- 4 department by rule shall adopt standards for onshore and offshore
- 5 facilities regarding the equipment and operation of the facilities with
- 6 respect to the transfer, storage, and handling of oil to ensure that
- 7 the best achievable protection of the public health and the environment
- 8 is employed at all times. The department shall implement a program to
- 9 provide for the inspection of all onshore and offshore facilities on a
- 10 regular schedule to ensure that each facility is in compliance with the
- 11 standards.
- 12 (2) The department shall adopt rules for certification of
- 13 supervisory and other key personnel in charge of the transfer, storage,
- 14 and handling of oil at onshore and offshore facilities. The rules
- 15 shall include, but are not limited to:
- 16 (a) Minimum training requirements for all facility workers involved
- 17 in the transfer, storage, and handling of oil at a facility;
- 18 (b) Provisions for periodic renewal of certificates for supervisory
- 19 and other key personnel involved in the transfer, storage, and handling
- 20 of oil at the facility; and
- 21 (c) Continuing education requirements.
- 22 (3) The rules adopted by the department shall not conflict with or
- 23 modify standards imposed pursuant to federal or state laws regulating
- 24 worker safety."
- 25 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 204. OPERATIONS MANUALS. (1) Each owner or
- 26 operator of an onshore or offshore facility shall prepare an operations
- 27 manual describing equipment and procedures involving the transfer,
- 28 storage, and handling of oil that the operator employs or will employ

- 1 for best achievable protection for the public health and the
- 2 environment and to prevent oil spills in the navigable waters. The
- 3 operations manual shall also describe equipment and procedures required
- 4 for all vessels to or from which oil is transferred through use of the
- 5 facility. The operations manual shall be submitted to the department
- 6 for approval.
- 7 (2) Every existing onshore and offshore facility shall prepare and
- 8 submit to the department its operations manual within one year after
- 9 the department has adopted rules governing the content of the manual.
- 10 (3) The department shall approve an operations manual for an
- 11 onshore or offshore facility if the manual complies with the rules
- 12 adopted by the department. If the department determines a manual does
- 13 not comply with the rules, it shall provide written reasons for the
- 14 decision. The owner or operator shall resubmit the manual within
- 15 ninety days of notification of the reasons for noncompliance,
- 16 responding to the reasons and incorporating any suggested
- 17 modifications.
- 18 (4) The approval of an operations manual shall be valid for five
- 19 years. The owner or operator of the facility shall notify the
- 20 department in writing immediately of any significant change in its
- 21 operations affecting its operations manual. The department may require
- 22 the owner or operator to modify its operations manual as a result of
- 23 these changes.
- 24 (5) All equipment and operations of an operator's onshore or
- 25 offshore facility shall be maintained and carried out in accordance
- 26 with the facility's operations manual. The owner or operator of the
- 27 facility shall ensure that all ships docked at an onshore or offshore
- 28 facility comply with the terms of the operations manual for the
- 29 facility."

- 1 "Sec. 205. RCW 90.48.373 and 1990 c 116 s 5 are each amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- The department shall annually publish an index of available, up-to-
- 4 date descriptions of prevention plans and contingency plans for oil
- 5 spills submitted and approved pursuant to section 201 of this 1991 act,
- 6 RCW 90.48.371 as recodified by this 1991 act, and sections 416 and 417
- 7 of this 1991 act and an inventory of equipment available for responding
- 8 to such spills."
- 9 "Sec. 206. RCW 90.48.375 and 1990 c 116 s 7 are each amended to
- 10 read as follows:
- 11 (1) The provisions of contingency plans approved by the department
- 12 under RCW 90.48.371 as recodified by this 1991 act and prevention plans
- 13 approved by the department pursuant to section 201 of this 1991 act
- 14 shall be legally binding on those persons submitting them to the
- 15 department and on their successors, assigns, agents, and employees.
- 16 The superior court shall have jurisdiction to restrain a violation of,
- 17 compel specific performance of, or otherwise to enforce such plans upon
- 18 application by the department. The department may issue an order
- 19 pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW requiring compliance with a contingency
- 20 plan or a prevention plan and may impose administrative penalties under
- 21 RCW 43.21B.300 for failure to comply with a plan. An order under this
- 22 section is not subject to review by the pollution control hearings
- 23 board as provided in RCW 43.21B.110.
- 24 (2)(a) Any person responsible or potentially responsible for a
- 25 <u>discharge</u>, all of the agents and employees of that person, the
- 26 operators of all vessels docked at an onshore or offshore facility that
- 27 <u>is a source of a discharge, and all state and local agencies shall</u>
- 28 carry out response and cleanup operations in accordance with applicable
- 29 contingency plans, unless directed otherwise by the director or the

- 1 coast guard. Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the
- 2 responsible party, potentially responsible parties, their agents and
- 3 <u>employees</u>, the operators of all vessels docked at an onshore or
- 4 offshore facility that is the source of the discharge, and all state
- 5 and local agencies shall carry out whatever direction is given by the
- 6 administrator in connection with the response, containment, and cleanup
- 7 of the spill, if the directions are not in direct conflict with the
- 8 <u>directions of the coast guard.</u>
- 9 (b) If a responsible party or potentially responsible party
- 10 reasonably, and in good faith, believes that the directions or orders
- 11 given by the director pursuant to (a) of this subsection will
- 12 <u>substantially endanger the public safety or the environment, the party</u>
- 13 may refuse to act in compliance with the orders or directions of the
- 14 administrator. The responsible party or potentially responsible party
- 15 shall state, at the time of the refusal, the reasons why the party
- 16 refuses to follow the orders or directions of the director. The
- 17 responsible party or potentially responsible party shall give the
- 18 director written notice of the reasons for the refusal within forty-
- 19 eight hours of refusing to follow the orders or directions of the
- 20 director. In any civil or criminal proceeding commenced pursuant to
- 21 this section, the burden of proof shall be on the responsible party or
- 22 potentially responsible party to demonstrate, by clear and convincing
- 23 evidence, why the refusal to follow the orders or directions of the
- 24 <u>director was justified under the circumstances.</u>"

1 "PART III

2 ENFORCEMENT"

- 3 "Sec. 301. RCW 90.48.376 and 1990 c 116 s 8 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- 5 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, it shall
- 6 be unlawful for ((any person)) the owner or operator to knowingly and
- 7 intentionally operate in this state or on the waters of this state
- 8 ((a)) an onshore or offshore facility ((or covered vessel)) without an
- 9 approved contingency plan or an approved prevention plan as required by
- 10 ((RCW 90.48.371)) this chapter, or financial responsibility in
- 11 compliance with chapter 88.40 RCW and the federal oil pollution act of
- 12 1990. The first conviction under this section shall be a gross
- 13 misdemeanor under chapter 9A.20 RCW. A second or subsequent conviction
- 14 shall be a class C felony under chapter 9A.20 RCW.
- 15 (2) It shall not be unlawful for ((a person)) the owner or operator
- 16 to operate ((a)) an onshore or offshore facility ((or covered vessel))
- 17 if:
- 18 (a) The facility ((or covered vessel)) is not required to have a
- 19 contingency plan, spill prevention plan, or financial responsibility;
- 20 <u>or</u>
- (b) ((A)) All required plans ((has)) have been submitted to the
- 22 department as required by RCW 90.48.371 as recodified by this 1991 act
- 23 and rules adopted by the department and the department is reviewing the
- 24 plan and has not denied approval((ror
- 25 (c) The covered vessel has entered state waters after the United
- 26 States coast guard has determined that the vessel is in distress)).
- 27 (3) A ((facility)) person may rely on a copy of the statement
- 28 issued by the department pursuant to RCW 90.48.371(7) as recodified by
- 29 this 1991 act as evidence that ((the vessel)) a facility has an

- 1 approved contingency plan and the statement issued pursuant to section
- 2 201(5) of this 1991 act that a facility has an approved prevention
- 3 plan."
- 4 "Sec. 302. RCW 90.48.377 and 1990 c 116 s 9 are each amended to
- 5 read as follows:
- 6 (1) ((Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, it
- 7 shall be unlawful for a covered vessel to enter the waters of the state
- 8 without an approved contingency plan as provided in RCW 90.48.371. The
- 9 department may deny entry onto the waters of the state to any covered
- 10 vessel that does not have a contingency plan and is so required.
- 11 (2)) Except as provided in subsection ((4)) of this section,
- 12 it shall be unlawful:
- 13 (a) For ((a)) the owner or operator to operate an onshore or
- 14 <u>offshore</u> facility ((to operate)) without an approved contingency plan
- 15 as required under RCW 90.48.371 as recodified by this 1991 act, a spill
- 16 prevention plan required by section 201 of this 1991 act, or financial
- 17 responsibility in compliance with chapter 88.40 RCW and the federal oil
- 18 pollution act of 1990; or
- 19 (b) For ((a)) the owner or operator of an onshore or offshore
- 20 facility or any other person to accept cargo or passengers from a
- 21 covered vessel that does not have an approved contingency plan or an
- 22 <u>approved prevention plan</u> required under ((RCW 90.48.371)) <u>chapter 88.--</u>
- 23 RCW (sections 413 through 424 of this 1991 act) or financial
- 24 <u>responsibility in compliance with chapter 88.40 RCW and the federal oil</u>
- 25 pollution act of 1990.
- 26 (((3))) (2) The department may notify the ((department of
- 27 licensing)) secretary of state to suspend the business license of any
- 28 <u>onshore or offshore</u> facility or other person that is in violation of
- 29 this section. The department may assess a civil penalty under RCW

- 1 43.21B.300 of up to one hundred thousand dollars against any person who
- 2 is in violation of this section. Each day that a facility($(\frac{1}{2})$) or
- 3 person((, or covered vessel)) is in violation of this section shall be
- 4 considered a separate violation.
- 5 (((4))) (3) It shall not be unlawful for a $((covered\ vessel\ to$
- 6 operate on the waters of the state or a)) facility or other person to
- 7 operate or accept cargo or passengers from a covered vessel if:
- 8 (a) A contingency plan, a prevention plan, or financial
- 9 responsibility is not required for the facility ((or covered vessel));
- 10 <u>or</u>
- 11 (b) A contingency and prevention plan has been submitted to the
- 12 department as required by ((RCW 90.48.371)) this chapter and rules
- 13 adopted by the department and the department is reviewing the plan and
- 14 has not denied approval((; or
- 15 (c) The covered vessel has entered state waters after the United
- 16 States coast guard has determined that the vessel is in distress)).
- 17 (((5))) (4) Any person may rely on a copy of the statement issued
- 18 by the department pursuant to RCW 90.48.371(7) as recodified by this
- 19 <u>1991 act</u> as evidence that the ((vessel)) <u>facility</u> has an approved
- 20 contingency plan and the statement issued pursuant to section 201(5) of
- 21 this 1991 act as evidence that the facility has an approved spill
- 22 <u>prevention plan</u>."
- 23 "Sec. 303. RCW 90.48.350 and 1990 c 116 s 20 are each amended to
- 24 read as follows:
- 25 (1) Except as otherwise provided in RCW 90.48.383 as recodified by
- 26 this 1991 act, any person who, in violation of RCW 90.48.320 as
- 27 recodified by this 1991 act, negligently discharges oil, or causes or
- 28 permits the entry of the same into the waters of the state, shall
- 29 incur, in addition to any other penalty as provided by law, a penalty

- 1 in an amount of up to ((twenty)) one hundred thousand dollars for every
- 2 such violation, and for each day the spill poses risks to the
- 3 environment as determined by the director.
- 4 (2) Any person who intentionally or recklessly discharges or causes
- 5 or permits the entry of oil into the waters of the state shall incur,
- 6 in addition to any other penalty authorized by law, a penalty of up to
- 7 ((one)) five hundred thousand dollars for every such violation and for
- 8 each day the spill poses risks to the environment as determined by the
- 9 director.
- 10 (3) The amount of the penalty imposed under this section shall be
- 11 determined by the director after taking into consideration the gravity
- 12 of the violation, the previous record of the violator in complying, or
- 13 failing to comply, with the provisions of this chapter and chapter
- 14 90.48 RCW, the speed and thoroughness of the collection and removal of
- 15 the oil, and such other considerations as the director deems
- 16 appropriate. Every act of commission or omission which procures, aids
- 17 or abets in the violation shall be considered a violation under the
- 18 provisions of this section and subject to the penalty herein provided
- 19 for. The penalty herein provided for shall be imposed pursuant to RCW
- 20 43.21B.300."
- 21 "Sec. 304. RCW 90.48.325 and 1970 ex.s. c 88 s 3 are each amended
- 22 to read as follows:
- It shall be the obligation of any person owning or having control
- 24 over oil entering waters of the state in violation of RCW 90.48.320 \underline{as}
- 25 recodified by this 1991 act to immediately collect and remove the same.
- 26 If it is not feasible to collect and remove, said person shall take all
- 27 practicable actions to contain, treat and disperse the same. The
- 28 director shall prohibit or restrict the use of any chemicals or other
- 29 dispersant or treatment materials proposed for use under this section

- 1 whenever it appears to ((him)) the director that use thereof would be
- 2 detrimental to the public interest."
- 3 "Sec. 305. RCW 90.48.383 and 1990 c 116 s 25 are each amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 (1) The following persons shall not be liable for necessary
- 6 expenses, removal costs, or ((property)) damages of any kind, other
- 7 than personal injury or wrongful death, caused by an act or omission of
- 8 that person during the ((cleanup)) response to a spill or threatened
- 9 spill of oil ((spilled)) into the navigable waters of the state, unless
- 10 the act or omission was performed in bad faith or with gross
- 11 negligence:
- 12 (a) The state or any unit of local government;
- 13 (b) A person who volunteers to assist in the cleanup of the spilled
- 14 oil; and
- 15 (c) A person ((meeting the standards of RCW 90.48.372)) rendering
- 16 care, assistance, or advice consistent with the national contingency
- 17 plan, or as otherwise directed by the federal on-scene coordinator or
- 18 by the state official with responsibility for oil spill response.
- 19 (2) This section shall not affect the liability of any person
- 20 responsible for the spilled oil or responsible for the facility or
- 21 covered vessel from which the oil was spilled."
- 22 "Sec. 306. RCW 90.48.340 and 1987 c 109 s 148 are each amended to
- 23 read as follows:
- 24 The department shall investigate each activity or project conducted
- 25 under RCW 90.48.330 as recodified by this 1991 act to determine, if
- 26 possible, the circumstances surrounding the entry of oil into waters of
- 27 the state and the person or persons allowing said entry or responsible
- 28 for the act or acts which result in said entry. Whenever it appears to

the department, after investigation, that a specific person or persons 1 2 are responsible for the necessary expenses incurred by the state pertaining to a project or activity as specified in RCW 90.48.335 as 3 4 recodified by this 1991 act, the department shall notify said person or 5 persons by appropriate order((: PROVIDED, That no order may be issued)). The department may not issue an order pertaining to a 6 project or activity which was completed more than five years prior to 7 the date of the proposed issuance of the order. ((Said)) The order 8 9 shall state the findings of the department, the amount of necessary 10 expenses incurred ((by the department)) in conducting the project or activity, and a notice that said amount is due and payable immediately 11 upon receipt of said order. The department may, upon application from 12 13 the recipient of an order received within thirty days from the receipt 14 of the order, reduce or set aside in its entirety the amount due and payable, when it appears from the application, and from any further 15 investigation the department may desire to undertake, that a reduction 16 17 or setting aside is just and fair under all the circumstances. If the 18 amount specified in the order issued by the department notifying said 19 person or persons is not paid within thirty days after receipt of 20 notice imposing the same, or if an application has been made within thirty days as herein provided and the amount provided in the order 21 issued by the department subsequent to such application is not paid 22 within fifteen days after receipt thereof, the attorney general, upon 23 24 request of the department, shall bring an action on behalf of the state 25 in the superior court of Thurston county or any county in which the person to which the order is directed does business, or in any other 26 court of competent jurisdiction, to recover the amount specified in the 27 28 final order of the department. No order issued under this section 29 shall be construed as an order within the meaning of RCW 43.21B.310 and shall not be appealable to the hearings board. In any action to 30

- 1 recover necessary expenses as herein provided said person shall be
- 2 relieved from liability for necessary expenses if ((he)) the person can
- 3 prove that the oil to which the necessary expenses relate entered the
- 4 waters of the state by causes set forth in RCW ((90.48.320(3)))
- 5 <u>90.48.320(2)</u> as recodified by this 1991 act."

6 "PART IV

7 OFFICE OF MARINE SAFETY"

- 8 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 401. The legislature declares that
- 9 Washington's waters have irreplaceable value for the citizens of the
- 10 state. These waters are vital habitat for numerous and diverse marine
- 11 life and wildlife and the source of recreation, aesthetic pleasure, and
- 12 pride for Washington's citizens. These waters are also vital for much
- 13 of Washington's economic vitality.
- 14 The legislature finds that the transportation of oil and hazardous
- 15 substances on these waters creates a great potential hazard to these
- 16 important natural resources. The legislature also finds that there is
- 17 no state agency responsible for maritime safety to ensure this state's
- 18 interest in preserving these resources.
- 19 The legislature therefore finds that in order to protect these
- 20 waters it is necessary to establish an office of marine safety which
- 21 will have the responsibility to promote the safety of marine
- 22 transportation in Washington."
- 23 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 402. (1) There is hereby created an agency of
- 24 state government to be known as the office of marine safety. The
- 25 office shall be vested with all powers and duties transferred to it and
- 26 such other powers and duties as may be authorized by law. The main
- 27 administrative office of the office shall be located in the city of

- 1 Olympia. The administrator may establish administrative facilities in
- 2 other locations, if deemed necessary for the efficient operation of the
- 3 office, and if consistent with the principles set forth in subsection
- 4 (2) of this section.
- 5 (2) The office of marine safety shall be organized consistent with
- 6 the goals of providing state government with a focus in marine
- 7 transportation and serving the people of this state. The legislature
- 8 recognizes that the administrator needs sufficient organizational
- 9 flexibility to carry out the office's various duties. To the extent
- 10 practical, the administrator shall consider the following
- 11 organizational principles:
- 12 (a) Clear lines of authority which avoid functional duplication
- 13 within and between subelements of the office;
- 14 (b) A clear and simplified organizational design promoting
- 15 accessibility, responsiveness, and accountability to the legislature,
- 16 the consumer, and the general public; and
- 17 (c) Maximum span of control without jeopardizing adequate
- 18 supervision.
- 19 (3) The office shall provide leadership and coordination in
- 20 identifying and resolving threats to the safety of marine
- 21 transportation and the impact of marine transportation on the
- 22 environment:
- 23 (a) Working with other state agencies and local governments to
- 24 strengthen the state and local governmental partnership in providing
- 25 public protection;
- 26 (b) Providing expert advice to the executive and legislative
- 27 branches of state government;
- 28 (c) Providing active and fair enforcement of rules;

- 1 (d) Working with other federal, state, and local agencies and
- 2 facilitating their involvement in planning and implementing marine
- 3 safety measures;
- 4 (e) Providing information to the public; and
- 5 (f) Carrying out such other related actions as may be appropriate
- 6 to this purpose.
- 7 (4) In accordance with the administrative procedure act, chapter
- 8 34.05 RCW, the office shall ensure an opportunity for consultation,
- 9 review, and comment before the adoption of standards, guidelines, and
- 10 rules.
- 11 (5) Consistent with the principles set forth in subsection (2) of
- 12 this section, the administrator may create such administrative
- 13 divisions, offices, bureaus, and programs within the office as the
- 14 administrator deems necessary. The administrator shall have complete
- 15 charge of and supervisory powers over the office, except where the
- 16 administrator's authority is specifically limited by law.
- 17 (6) The administrator shall appoint such personnel as are necessary
- 18 to carry out the duties of the office in accordance with chapter 41.06
- 19 RCW."
- 20 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 403. The executive head and appointing
- 21 authority of the office shall be the administrator of marine safety.
- 22 The administrator shall be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of,
- 23 the governor in accordance with RCW 43.17.020. The administrator
- 24 shall be paid a salary to be fixed by the governor in accordance with
- 25 RCW 43.03.040."
- 26 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 404. In addition to any other powers granted
- 27 the administrator, the administrator may:

- 1 (1) Adopt, in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW, rules necessary to
- 2 carry out the provisions of this chapter;
- 3 (2) Appoint such advisory committees as may be necessary to carry
- 4 out the provisions of this chapter. Members of such advisory
- 5 committees are authorized to receive travel expenses in accordance with
- 6 RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. The administrator shall review each
- 7 advisory committee within the jurisdiction of the office and each
- 8 statutory advisory committee on a biennial basis to determine if such
- 9 advisory committee is needed. The criteria specified in RCW 43.131.070
- 10 shall be used to determine whether or not each advisory committee shall
- 11 be continued;
- 12 (3) Undertake studies, research, and analysis necessary to carry
- 13 out the provisions of this chapter;
- 14 (4) Delegate powers, duties, and functions of the department to
- 15 employees of the department as the secretary deems necessary to carry
- 16 out the provisions of this chapter;
- 17 (5) Enter into contracts on behalf of the department to carry out
- 18 the purposes of this chapter;
- 19 (6) Act for the state in the initiation of, or the participation
- 20 in, any intergovernmental program for the purposes of this chapter; or
- 21 (7) Accept gifts, grants, or other funds."
- 22 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 405. The powers and duties of the department
- 23 of ecology and the director of ecology under chapter 90.48 RCW relating
- 24 to adoption of rules and approval of contingency plans for vessels and
- 25 adoption of model tow cable standards for tug boats and barges are
- 26 hereby transferred to the office of marine safety and the administrator
- 27 of the office of marine safety."

- 1 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 406. (1) The administrator shall have full
- 2 authority to administer oaths and take testimony thereunder, to issue
- 3 subpoenas requiring the attendance of witnesses before the
- 4 administrator together with all books, memoranda, papers, and other
- 5 documents, articles or instruments, and to compel the disclosure by
- 6 such witnesses of all facts known to them relative to the matters under
- 7 investigation.
- 8 (2) Subpoenas issued in adjudicative proceedings shall be governed
- 9 by chapter 34.05 RCW.
- 10 (3) Subpoenas issued in the conduct of investigations required or
- 11 authorized by other statutory provisions or necessary in the
- 12 enforcement of other statutory provisions shall be governed by chapter
- 13 34.05 RCW."
- 14 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 407. All reports, documents, surveys, books,
- 15 records, files, papers, or written material in the possession of the
- 16 department of ecology pertaining to the powers, functions, and duties
- 17 transferred shall be delivered to the custody of the office of marine
- 18 safety. All cabinets, furniture, office equipment, motor vehicles, and
- 19 other tangible property employed by the department of ecology in
- 20 carrying out the powers, functions, and duties transferred shall be
- 21 made available to the office of marine safety. All funds, credits, or
- 22 other assets held in connection with the powers, functions, and duties
- 23 transferred shall be assigned to the office of marine safety.
- 24 Any appropriations made to the department of ecology for carrying
- 25 out the powers, functions, and duties transferred shall, on the
- 26 effective date of this section, be transferred and credited to the
- 27 office of marine safety.
- Whenever any question arises as to the transfer of any personnel,
- 29 funds, books, documents, records, papers, files, equipment, or other

- 1 tangible property used or held in the exercise of the powers and the
- 2 performance of the duties and functions transferred, the director of
- 3 financial management shall make a determination as to the proper
- 4 allocation and certify the same to the state agencies concerned."
- 5 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 408. All employees of the department of
- 6 ecology engaged in performing the powers, functions, and duties
- 7 transferred are transferred to the jurisdiction of the office of marine
- 8 safety. All employees classified under chapter 41.06 RCW, the state
- 9 civil service law, are assigned to the office of marine safety to
- 10 perform their usual duties upon the same terms as formerly, without any
- 11 loss of rights, subject to any action that may be appropriate
- 12 thereafter in accordance with the laws and rules governing state civil
- 13 service."
- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 409. All rules and all pending business before
- 15 the department of ecology pertaining to the powers, functions, and
- 16 duties transferred shall be continued and acted upon by the office of
- 17 marine safety. All existing contracts and obligations shall remain in
- 18 full force and shall be performed by the office of marine safety."
- 19 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 410. The transfer of the powers, duties,
- 20 functions, and personnel of the department of ecology shall not affect
- 21 the validity of any act performed prior to the effective date of this
- 22 section."
- 23 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 411. If apportionments of budgeted funds are
- 24 required because of the transfers directed by sections 407 through 410
- 25 of this act, the director of financial management shall certify the
- 26 apportionments to the agencies affected, the state auditor, and the

- 1 state treasurer. Each of these shall make the appropriate transfer and
- 2 adjustments in funds and appropriation accounts and equipment records
- 3 in accordance with the certification."
- 4 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 412. Nothing contained in sections 405 and 407
- 5 through 411 of this act may be construed to alter any existing
- 6 collective bargaining unit or the provisions of any existing collective
- 7 bargaining agreement until the agreement has expired or until the
- 8 bargaining unit has been modified by action of the personnel board as
- 9 provided by law."
- 10 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 413. DEFINITIONS. Unless the context clearly
- 11 requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout
- 12 this chapter.
- 13 (1) "Administrator" means the administrator of the office of marine
- 14 safety created in section 402 of this act.
- 15 (2) "Best achievable protection" means the highest level of
- 16 protection that can be achieved through the use of the best achievable
- 17 technology and those staffing levels, training procedures, and
- 18 operational methods that provide the greatest degree of protection
- 19 achievable. The administrator's determination of best achievable
- 20 protection shall be guided by the critical need to protect the state's
- 21 natural resources and waters, while considering (a) the additional
- 22 protection provided by the measures; (b) the technological
- 23 achievability of the measures; and (c) the cost of the measures. It is
- 24 not the intent of the legislature that the administrator use a cost-
- 25 benefit or cost-effectiveness analysis or any particular method of
- 26 analysis in determining which measures to require.
- 27 (3) "Best achievable technology" means the technology that provides
- 28 the greatest degree of protection taking into consideration (a)

- 1 processes that are being developed, or could feasibly be developed,
- 2 given overall reasonable expenditures on research and development, and
- 3 (b) processes that are currently in use. In determining what is best
- 4 achievable technology, the administrator shall consider the
- 5 effectiveness, engineering feasibility, and commercial availability of
- 6 the technology.
- 7 (4) "Cargo vessel" means a ship in commerce, other than a tank
- 8 vessel or a passenger vessel, of three hundred gross tons or more,
- 9 including but not limited to, commercial fish processing vessels and
- 10 freighters.
- 11 (5) "Bulk" means material that is stored or transported in a loose,
- 12 unpackaged liquid, powder, or granular form capable of being conveyed
- 13 by a pipe, bucket, chute, or belt system.
- 14 (6) "Covered vessel" means a tank vessel, cargo vessel, or
- 15 passenger vessel.
- 16 (7) "Department" means the department of ecology.
- 17 (8) "Director" means the director of the department of ecology.
- 18 (9) "Discharge" means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring,
- 19 emitting, emptying, or dumping.
- 20 (10)(a) "Facility" means any structure, group of structures,
- 21 equipment, pipeline, or device, other than a vessel that is used for
- 22 producing, storing, handling, transferring, processing, or transporting
- 23 oil in bulk.
- 24 (b) A facility does not include any: (i) Railroad car, motor
- 25 vehicle, or other rolling stock while transporting oil over the
- 26 highways or rail lines of this state; (ii) retail motor vehicle motor
- 27 fuel outlet; (iii) facility that is operated as part of an exempt
- 28 agricultural activity as provided in RCW 82.04.330; or (iv) underground
- 29 storage tank regulated by the department or a local government under
- 30 chapter 90.76 RCW.

- 1 (11) "Navigable waters of the state" means those waters of the
- 2 state, and their adjoining shorelines, that are subject to the ebb and
- 3 flow of the tide and/or are presently used, have been used in the past,
- 4 or may be susceptible for use to transport intrastate, interstate, or
- 5 foreign commerce.
- 6 (12) "Office" means the office of marine safety established by
- 7 section 402 of this act.
- 8 (13) "Oil" or "oils" means any naturally occurring liquid
- 9 hydrocarbons at atmospheric temperature and pressure coming from the
- 10 earth, including condensate and natural gasoline, and any fractionation
- 11 thereof, including, but not limited to, crude oil, petroleum, gasoline,
- 12 fuel oil, diesel oil, oil sludge, oil refuse, and oil mixed with wastes
- 13 other than dredged spoil. Oil does not include any substance listed in
- 14 Table 302.4 of 40 C.F.R. Part 302 adopted August 14, 1989, under
- 15 section 101(14) of the federal comprehensive environmental response,
- 16 compensation, and liability act of 1980, as amended by P.L. 99-499.
- 17 (14) "Offshore facility" means any facility located in, on, or
- 18 under any of the navigable waters of the state, but does not include a
- 19 facility any part of which is located in, on, or under any land of the
- 20 state, other than submerged land.
- 21 (15) "Onshore facility" means any facility any part of which is
- 22 located in, on, or under any land of the state, other than submerged
- 23 land, that because of its location, could reasonably be expected to
- 24 cause substantial harm to the environment by discharging oil into or on
- 25 the navigable waters of the state or the adjoining shorelines.
- 26 (16)(a) "Owner or operator" means (i) in the case of a vessel, any
- 27 person owning, operating, or chartering by devise, the vessel; (ii) in
- 28 the case of an onshore or offshore facility, any person owning or
- 29 operating the facility; and (iii) in the case of an abandoned vessel or

- 1 onshore or offshore facility, the person who owned or operated the
- 2 vessel or facility immediately before its abandonment.
- 3 (b) "Operator" does not include any person who owns the land
- 4 underlying a facility if the person is not involved in the operations
- 5 of the facility.
- 6 (17) "Passenger vessel" means a ship of three hundred or more gross
- 7 tons carrying passengers for compensation.
- 8 (18) "Person" means any political subdivision, government agency,
- 9 municipality, industry, public or private corporation, copartnership,
- 10 association, firm, individual, or any other entity whatsoever.
- 11 (19) "Ship" means any boat, ship, vessel, barge, or other floating
- 12 craft of any kind.
- 13 (20) "Spill" means an unauthorized discharge of oil or hazardous
- 14 substances into the waters of the state.
- 15 (21) "Tank vessel" means a ship that is constructed or adapted to
- 16 carry, or that carries, oil in bulk as cargo or cargo residue, and
- 17 that:
- 18 (a) Operates on the waters of the state; or
- 19 (b) Transfers oil in a port or place subject to the jurisdiction of
- 20 this state.
- 21 (22) "Waters of the state" includes lakes, rivers, ponds, streams,
- 22 inland waters, underground water, salt waters, estuaries, tidal flats,
- 23 beaches and lands adjoining the seacoast of the state, sewers, and all
- 24 other surface waters and watercourses within the jurisdiction of the
- 25 state of Washington.
- 26 (23) "Worst case spill" means: (a) In the case of a vessel, a
- 27 spill of the entire cargo and fuel of the vessel complicated by adverse
- 28 weather conditions; and (b) in the case of an onshore or offshore
- 29 facility, the largest foreseeable spill in adverse weather conditions."

- 1 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 414. COORDINATION WITH FEDERAL LAW. In
- 2 carrying out the purposes of this chapter, including the adoption of
- 3 rules for contingency plans, the administrator shall to the greatest
- 4 extent practicable implement this chapter in a manner consistent with
- 5 federal law."
- 6 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 415. TANK VESSEL INSPECTIONS. (1) All tank
- 7 vessels entering the navigable waters of the state shall be subject to
- 8 inspection to assure that they comply with all applicable federal and
- 9 state standards.
- 10 (2) The office shall review the tank vessel inspection programs
- 11 conducted by the United States coast guard and other federal agencies
- 12 to determine if the programs as actually operated by those agencies
- 13 provide the best achievable protection to the waters of the state. If
- 14 the office determines that the tank vessel inspection programs
- 15 conducted by these agencies are not adequate to protect the state's
- 16 waters, it shall adopt rules for a state tank vessel inspection
- 17 program. The office shall adopt rules providing for a random review of
- 18 individual tank vessel inspections conducted by federal agencies. The
- 19 office may accept a tank vessel inspection report issued by another
- 20 state if that state's tank vessel inspection program is determined by
- 21 the office to be at least as protective of the public health and the
- 22 environment as the program adopted by the office.
- 23 (3) The state tank vessel inspection program shall ensure that all
- 24 tank vessels entering state waters are inspected at least annually. To
- 25 the maximum extent feasible, the state program shall consist of the
- 26 monitoring of existing tank vessel inspection programs conducted by the
- 27 federal government. The office shall consult with the coast guard
- 28 regarding the tank vessel inspection program. Any tank vessel

- 1 inspection conducted pursuant to this section shall be performed during
- 2 the vessel's scheduled stay in port.
- 3 (4) Any violation of coast guard or other federal regulations
- 4 uncovered during a state tank vessel inspection shall be immediately
- 5 reported to the appropriate agency."
- 6 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 416. PREVENTION PLANS. (1) The owner or
- 7 operator for each covered vessel shall prepare and submit to the office
- 8 an oil spill prevention plan in conformance with the requirements of
- 9 this chapter. The plans shall be submitted to the office in the time
- 10 and manner directed by the office, but not later than January 1, 1993.
- 11 The spill prevention plan may be consolidated with a spill contingency
- 12 plan submitted pursuant to section 417 of this act. The office may
- 13 accept plans prepared to comply with other state or federal law as
- 14 spill prevention plans to the extent those plans comply with the
- 15 requirements of this chapter. The office, by rule, shall establish
- 16 standards for spill prevention plans. The rules shall be adopted not
- 17 later than July 1, 1992.
- 18 (2) The spill prevention plan for a covered vessel or a fleet of
- 19 covered vessels operated by the same operator shall:
- 20 (a) Establish compliance with the federal oil pollution act of 1990
- 21 and state and federal financial responsibility requirements, if
- 22 applicable;
- 23 (b) State all discharges of oil of more than twenty-five barrels
- 24 from the vessel within the prior five years and what measures have been
- 25 taken to prevent a reoccurrence;
- 26 (c) Describe all accidents, collisions, groundings, and near miss
- 27 incidents in which the vessel has been involved in the prior five
- 28 years, analyze the causes, and state the measures that have been taken
- 29 to prevent a reoccurrence;

- 1 (d) Describe the vessel operations with respect to staffing
- 2 standards;
- 3 (e) Describe the vessel inspection program carried out by the owner
- 4 or operator of the vessel;
- 5 (f) Describe the training given to vessel crews with respect to
- 6 spill prevention;
- 7 (g) Establish compliance with federal drug and alcohol programs;
- 8 (h) Describe all spill prevention technology that has been
- 9 incorporated into the vessel;
- 10 (i) Describe the procedures used by the vessel owner or operator to
- 11 ensure English language proficiency of at least one bridge officer
- 12 while on duty in waters of the state;
- 13 (j) Describe relevant prevention measures incorporated in any
- 14 applicable regional marine spill safety plan that have not been adopted
- 15 and the reasons for that decision; and
- 16 (k) Include any other information reasonably necessary to carry out
- 17 the purposes of this chapter required by rules adopted by the office.
- 18 (3)(a) The administrator by rule may specify those cargo vessels
- 19 and passenger vessels which may be exempt from the provisions of
- 20 subsection (2) of this section. In determining which vessels shall not
- 21 be required to prepare prevention plans, the administrator shall
- 22 consider the length of time the vessel has been under the current
- 23 ownership, the number of visits the vessel makes to Washington ports
- 24 within a two-year period, and any other information deemed relevant by
- 25 the administrator.
- 26 (b) In addition to the certification made pursuant to RCW
- 27 88.16.155(1) (a) through (c), the master of any cargo vessel or
- 28 passenger vessel not required to have a prevention plan pursuant to (a)
- 29 of this subsection which employs a Washington licensed pilot shall
- 30 certify that the:

- 1 (i) Vessel complies with safety of life at sea certificate
- 2 requirements;
- 3 (ii) Vessel complies with current international agreements
- 4 concerning safety and radio equipment;
- 5 (iii) Engine is able to maneuver and all related equipment is in
- 6 good order;
- 7 (iv) Vessel is not leaking oil;
- 8 (v) Vessel is not experiencing propulsion or maneuvering
- 9 difficulties;
- 10 (vi) The master has notified the United States coast guard captain
- 11 for the port of any deficiencies and has received authorization for the
- 12 vessel to proceed, and that any deficiencies will be corrected before
- 13 the vessel is scheduled to leave the waters of the state.
- 14 (4) The office shall only approve a prevention plan if it provides
- 15 the best achievable protection from damages caused by the discharge of
- 16 oil into the waters of the state and if it determines that the plan
- 17 meets the requirements of this section and rules adopted by the office.
- 18 (5) Upon approval of a prevention plan, the office shall provide to
- 19 the person submitting the plan a statement indicating that the plan has
- 20 been approved, the vessels covered by the plan, and other information
- 21 the office determines should be included.
- 22 (6) The approval of a prevention plan shall be valid for five
- 23 years. An owner or operator of a covered vessel shall notify the
- 24 office in writing immediately of any significant change of which it is
- 25 aware affecting its prevention plan, including changes in any factor
- 26 set forth in this section or in rules adopted by the office. The
- 27 office may require the owner or operator to update a prevention plan as
- 28 a result of these changes.

- 1 (7) The office by rule shall require prevention plans to be
- 2 reviewed, updated, if necessary, and resubmitted to the office at least
- 3 once every five years.
- 4 (8) Approval of a prevention plan by the office does not constitute
- 5 an express assurance regarding the adequacy of the plan nor constitute
- 6 a defense to liability imposed under this chapter or other state law.
- 7 (9) This section does not authorize the office to modify the terms
- 8 of a collective bargaining agreement."
- 9 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 417. CONTINGENCY PLANS. (1) Each covered
- 10 vessel shall have a contingency plan for the containment and cleanup of
- 11 oil spills from the covered vessel into the waters of the state and for
- 12 the protection of fisheries and wildlife, natural resources, and public
- 13 and private property from such spills. The office shall by rule adopt
- 14 and periodically revise standards for the preparation of contingency
- 15 plans. The office shall require contingency plans, at a minimum, to
- 16 meet the following standards:
- 17 (a) Include full details of the method of response to spills of
- 18 various sizes from any vessel which is covered by the plan;
- 19 (b) Be designed to be capable in terms of personnel, materials, and
- 20 equipment, of promptly and properly, to the maximum extent practicable,
- 21 as defined by the office removing oil and minimizing any damage to the
- 22 environment resulting from a worst case spill;
- 23 (c) Provide a clear, precise, and detailed description of how the
- 24 plan relates to and is integrated into relevant contingency plans which
- 25 have been prepared by cooperatives, ports, regional entities, the
- 26 state, and the federal government;
- 27 (d) Provide procedures for early detection of spills and timely
- 28 notification of such spills to appropriate federal, state, and local
- 29 authorities under applicable state and federal law;

- 1 (e) State the number, training preparedness, and fitness of all
- 2 dedicated, prepositioned personnel assigned to direct and implement the
- 3 plan;
- 4 (f) Incorporate periodic training and drill programs to evaluate
- 5 whether personnel and equipment provided under the plan are in a state
- 6 of operational readiness at all times;
- 7 (g) Describe important features of the surrounding environment,
- 8 including fish and wildlife habitat, environmentally sensitive areas,
- 9 and public facilities. The departments of ecology, fisheries,
- 10 wildlife, and natural resources, upon request, shall provide
- 11 information that they have available to assist in preparing this
- 12 description;
- 13 (h) State the means of protecting and mitigating effects on the
- 14 environment, including fish, marine mammals, and other wildlife, and
- 15 ensure that implementation of the plan does not pose unacceptable risks
- 16 to the public or the environment;
- 17 (i) Establish guidelines for the use of equipment by the crew of
- 18 a vessel to minimize vessel damage, stop or reduce any spilling from
- 19 the vessel, and, only when appropriate and only when vessel safety is
- 20 assured, contain and clean up the spilled oil;
- 21 (j) Provide arrangements for the prepositioning of spill
- 22 containment and cleanup equipment and trained personnel at strategic
- 23 locations from which they can be deployed to the spill site to promptly
- 24 and properly remove the spilled oil;
- 25 (k) Provide arrangements for enlisting the use of qualified and
- 26 trained cleanup personnel to implement the plan;
- 27 (1) Provide for disposal of recovered spilled oil in accordance
- 28 with local, state, and federal laws;
- 29 (m) Until a spill prevention plan has been submitted pursuant to
- 30 section 416 of this act, state the measures that have been taken to

- 1 reduce the likelihood that a spill will occur, including but not
- 2 limited to, design and operation of a vessel, training of personnel,
- 3 number of personnel, and backup systems designed to prevent a spill;
- 4 (n) State the amount and type of equipment available to respond to
- 5 a spill, where the equipment is located, and the extent to which other
- 6 contingency plans rely on the same equipment; and
- 7 (o) If the department of ecology has adopted rules permitting the
- 8 use of dispersants, the circumstances, if any, and the manner for the
- 9 application of the dispersants in conformance with the department's
- 10 rules.
- 11 (2)(a) The owner or operator of a tank vessel of three thousand
- 12 gross tons or more shall submit a contingency plan to the office within
- 13 six months after the office adopts rules establishing standards for
- 14 contingency plans under subsection (1) of this section.
- 15 (b) Contingency plans for all other covered vessels shall be
- 16 submitted to the office within eighteen months after the office has
- 17 adopted rules under subsection (1) of this section. The office may
- 18 adopt a schedule for submission of plans within the eighteen-month
- 19 period.
- 20 (3)(a) The owner or operator of a tank vessel or of the facilities
- 21 at which the vessel will be unloading its cargo shall submit the
- 22 contingency plan for the tank vessel. Subject to conditions imposed by
- 23 the office, the owner or operator of a facility may submit a single
- 24 contingency plan for tank vessels of a particular class that will be
- 25 unloading cargo at the facility.
- 26 (b) The contingency plan for a cargo vessel or passenger vessel may
- 27 be submitted by the owner or operator of the cargo vessel or passenger
- 28 vessel or by the agent for the vessel resident in this state. Subject
- 29 to conditions imposed by the office, the owner, operator, or agent may

- 1 submit a single contingency plan for cargo vessels or passenger vessels
- 2 of a particular class.
- 3 (c) A person who has contracted with a covered vessel to provide
- 4 containment and cleanup services and who meets the standards
- 5 established pursuant to RCW 90.48.372 as recodified by this act, may
- 6 submit the plan for any covered vessel for which the person is
- 7 contractually obligated to provide services. Subject to conditions
- 8 imposed by the office, the person may submit a single plan for more
- 9 than one covered vessel.
- 10 (4) A contingency plan prepared for an agency of the federal
- 11 government or another state that satisfies the requirements of this
- 12 section and rules adopted by the office may be accepted by the office
- 13 as a contingency plan under this section. The office shall assure that
- 14 to the greatest extent possible, requirements for contingency plans
- 15 under this section are consistent with the requirements for contingency
- 16 plans under federal law.
- 17 (5) In reviewing the contingency plans required by this section,
- 18 the office shall consider at least the following factors:
- 19 (a) The adequacy of containment and cleanup equipment, personnel,
- 20 communications equipment, notification procedures and call down lists,
- 21 response time, and logistical arrangements for coordination and
- 22 implementation of response efforts to remove oil spills promptly and
- 23 properly and to protect the environment;
- 24 (b) The nature and amount of vessel traffic within the area covered
- 25 by the plan;
- 26 (c) The volume and type of oil being transported within the area
- 27 covered by the plan;
- 28 (d) The existence of navigational hazards within the area covered
- 29 by the plan;

- 1 (e) The history and circumstances surrounding prior spills of oil
- 2 within the area covered by the plan;
- 3 (f) The sensitivity of fisheries and wildlife and other natural
- 4 resources within the area covered by the plan;
- 5 (g) Relevant information on previous spills contained in on-scene
- 6 coordinator reports prepared by the office; and
- 7 (h) The extent to which reasonable, cost-effective measures to
- 8 prevent a likelihood that a spill will occur have been incorporated
- 9 into the plan.
- 10 (6) The office shall approve a contingency plan only if it
- 11 determines that the plan meets the requirements of this section and
- 12 that, if implemented, the plan is capable, in terms of personnel,
- 13 materials, and equipment, of removing oil promptly and properly and
- 14 minimizing any damage to the environment.
- 15 (7) The approval of the contingency plan shall be valid for five
- 16 years. Upon approval of a contingency plan, the office shall provide
- 17 to the person submitting the plan a statement indicating that the plan
- 18 has been approved, the vessels covered by the plan, and other
- 19 information the office determines should be included.
- 20 (8) An owner or operator of a covered vessel shall notify the
- 21 office in writing immediately of any significant change of which it is
- 22 aware affecting its contingency plan, including changes in any factor
- 23 set forth in this section or in rules adopted by the office. The
- 24 office may require the owner or operator to update a contingency plan
- 25 as a result of these changes.
- 26 (9) The office by rule shall require contingency plans to be
- 27 reviewed, updated, if necessary, and resubmitted to the office at least
- 28 once every five years.
- 29 (10) Approval of a contingency plan by the office does not
- 30 constitute an express assurance regarding the adequacy of the plan nor

- 1 constitute a defense to liability imposed under this chapter or other
- 2 state law."
- 3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 418. The provisions of prevention plans and
- 4 contingency plans approved by the office pursuant to this chapter shall
- 5 be legally binding on those persons submitting them to the office and
- 6 on their successors, assigns, agents, and employees. The superior
- 7 court shall have jurisdiction to restrain a violation of, compel
- 8 specific performance of, or otherwise to enforce such plans upon
- 9 application by the office. The office may issue an order pursuant to
- 10 chapter 34.05 RCW requiring compliance with a contingency plan or a
- 11 prevention plan and may impose administrative penalties for failure to
- 12 comply with a plan."
- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 419. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2)
- 14 of this section, it shall be unlawful for the owner or operator to
- 15 knowingly and intentionally operate in this state or on the waters of
- 16 this state a covered vessel without an approved contingency plan or an
- 17 approved prevention plan as required by this chapter, or financial
- 18 responsibility in compliance with this chapter and the federal oil
- 19 pollution act of 1990. The first conviction under this section shall
- 20 be a gross misdemeanor under chapter 9A.20 RCW. A second or subsequent
- 21 conviction shall be a class C felony under chapter 9A.20 RCW.
- 22 (2) It shall not be unlawful for the owner or operator to operate
- 23 a covered vessel if:
- 24 (a) The covered vessel is not required to have a contingency plan,
- 25 spill prevention plan, or financial responsibility;
- 26 (b) All required plans have been submitted to the office as
- 27 required by this chapter and rules adopted by the office and the office
- 28 is reviewing the plan and has not denied approval; or

- 1 (c) The covered vessel has entered state waters after the United 2 States coast guard has determined that the vessel is in distress.
- 3 (3) A person may rely on a copy of the statement issued by the 4 department pursuant to section 417 of this act as evidence that a 5 vessel has an approved contingency plan and the statement issued 6 pursuant to section 416 of this act that a vessel has an approved 7 prevention plan."
- 8 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 420. (1) Except as provided in subsection (4) 9 of this section, it shall be unlawful for a covered vessel to enter the 10 waters of the state without an approved contingency plan required by section 417 of this act, a spill prevention plan required by section 11 416 of this act, or financial responsibility in compliance with chapter 12 13 88.40 RCW and the federal oil pollution act of 1990. The office may deny entry onto the waters of the state to any covered vessel that does 14 not have a required contingency or spill prevention plan or financial 15 16 responsibility.
- (2) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, it shall be unlawful for a covered vessel to transfer oil to an onshore or offshore facility that does not have an approved contingency plan required under RCW 90.48.371 as recodified by this act, a spill prevention plan required by section 201 of this act, or financial responsibility in compliance with chapter 88.40 RCW and the federal oil pollution act of 1990.
- 24 (3) The administrator may assess a civil penalty of up to one 25 hundred thousand dollars against the owner or operator of a vessel who 26 is in violation of this section. Each day that the owner or operator 27 of a covered vessel is in violation of this section shall be considered 28 a separate violation.

- 1 (4) It shall not be unlawful for a covered vessel to operate on the 2 waters of the state if:
- 3 (a) A contingency plan, a prevention plan, or financial
- 4 responsibility is not required for the covered vessel;
- 5 (b) A contingency plan and prevention plan has been submitted to
- 6 the office as required by this chapter and rules adopted by the office
- 7 and the office is reviewing the plan and has not denied approval; or
- 8 (c) The covered vessel has entered state waters after the United
- 9 States coast guard has determined that the vessel is in distress.
- 10 (5) Any person may rely on a copy of the statement issued by the
- 11 office to section 417 of this act as evidence that the vessel has an
- 12 approved contingency plan and the statement issued pursuant to section
- 13 416 of this act as evidence that the vessel has an approved spill
- 14 prevention plan."
- 15 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 421. NOTIFICATION OF ACCIDENTS AND NEAR MISS
- 16 INCIDENTS. (1) In order to assist the state in identifying areas of
- 17 the navigable waters of the state needing special attention, the owner
- 18 or operator of a covered vessel shall notify the coast guard within one
- 19 hour:
- 20 (a) Of the disability of the covered vessel if the disabled vessel
- 21 is within twelve miles of the shore of the state; and
- 22 (b) Of a collision or a near miss incident within twelve miles of
- 23 the shore of the state.
- 24 (2) The division of emergency management of the department of
- 25 community development and the office shall request the coast guard to
- 26 notify the division of emergency management as soon as possible after
- 27 the coast guard receives notice of a disabled covered vessel or of a
- 28 collision or near miss incident within twelve miles of the shore of the
- 29 state. The office shall negotiate an agreement with the coast guard

- 1 governing procedures for coast guard notification to the state
- 2 regarding disabled covered vessels and collisions and near miss
- 3 incidents.
- 4 (3) The office shall prepare a summary of the information collected
- 5 under this section and provide the summary to the regional marine
- 6 safety committees, the coast guard, and others in order to identify
- 7 problems with the marine transportation system.
- 8 (4) For the purposes of this section:
- 9 (a) A tank vessel or cargo vessel is considered disabled if any of
- 10 the following occur:
- 11 (i) Any accidental or intentional grounding;
- 12 (ii) The total or partial failure of the main propulsion or primary
- 13 steering or any component or control system that causes a reduction in
- 14 the maneuvering capabilities of the vessel;
- 15 (iii) An occurrence materially and adversely affecting the vessel's
- 16 seaworthiness or fitness for service, including but not limited to,
- 17 fire, flooding, or collision with another vessel;
- 18 (iv) Any other occurrence that creates the serious possibility of
- 19 an oil or hazardous substance spill or an occurrence that may result in
- 20 such a spill.
- 21 (b) A barge is considered disabled if any of the following occur:
- (i) The towing mechanism becomes disabled;
- 23 (ii) The towboat towing the barge becomes disabled through
- 24 occurrences defined in (a) of this subsection.
- 25 (c) A near miss incident is an incident that requires the pilot or
- 26 master of a covered vessel to take evasive actions or make significant
- 27 course corrections in order to avoid a collision with another ship or
- 28 to avoid a grounding as required by the international rules of the
- 29 road.

- 1 (5) Failure of any person to make a report under this section shall
- 2 not be used as the basis for the imposition of any fine or penalty."
- 3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 422. REGIONAL MARINE SAFETY COMMITTEES. (1)
- 4 The office shall establish regional marine safety committees at least
- 5 for the Strait of Juan de Fuca/Puget Sound and Grays Harbor/Pacific
- 6 coast. It is the intent of the legislature that the office also
- 7 establish a regional marine safety committee jointly with the state of
- 8 Oregon for the Columbia river. The office by rule shall establish the
- 9 boundaries of the committees.
- 10 (2) The administrator shall appoint to each regional committee for
- 11 a term of three years six persons representing a cross section of
- 12 interests and the public with an interest in maritime transportation
- 13 and environmental issues.
- 14 (3) The administrator or his or her designee shall chair each of
- 15 the regional committees. Each member of the committee shall be
- 16 reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the
- 17 performance of committee duties in accordance with RCW 43.03.250.
- 18 (4) Each regional committee shall be responsible for planning for
- 19 the safe navigation and operation of tankers, barges, and other vessels
- 20 within each region. Each committee shall prepare a regional marine
- 21 safety plan, encompassing all vessel traffic within the region. The
- 22 coast guard, the federal environmental protection agency, the army
- 23 corps of engineers, and the navy shall be invited to attend the
- 24 meetings of each marine regional safety committee.
- 25 (5) The administrator shall adopt rules and guidelines for regional
- 26 marine safety plans in consultation with affected parties. The rules
- 27 shall require the committees to establish subcommittees to involve all
- 28 interested parties in the development of the plans and to require the
- 29 committees to include a summary of public comments and any minority

- 1 reports with recommendations submitted to the administrator. The rules
- 2 shall also require the plans to consider all of the following:
- 3 (a) Requirements for tug escorts of tankers and other commercial
- 4 vessels, and speed limits for tankers and other vessels in addition to
- 5 the requirements imposed by statute;
- 6 (b) A review and evaluation of the adequacy of and any changes
- 7 needed in:
- 8 (i) Anchorage designations and sounding checks;
- 9 (ii) Communications systems;
- 10 (iii) Commercial and recreational fishing, recreational boaters,
- 11 and other small vessel congestion in shipping lanes; and
- 12 (iv) Placement and effectiveness of navigational aids, channel
- 13 design plans, and the traffic and routings from port construction and
- 14 dredging projects;
- 15 (c) Procedures for routing vessels during emergencies that impact
- 16 navigation;
- 17 (d) Management requirements for control bridges;
- (e) Special protection for environmentally sensitive areas;
- 19 (f) Suggested mechanisms to ensure that the provisions of the plan
- 20 are fully and regularly enforced; and
- 21 (g) A recommendation as to whether establishing or expanding vessel
- 22 traffic safety systems within the regions is desirable.
- 23 (6) Each regional marine safety plan shall be submitted to the
- 24 office for approval within one year after the regional marine safety
- 25 committee is established. The office shall review the plans for
- 26 consistency with the rules and guidelines and shall approve the plans
- 27 or give reasons for their disapproval. If a regional marine safety
- 28 committee does not submit a regional marine safety plan to the office
- 29 within one year after the committee is established, the office, after

- 1 consulting with affected interests, may adopt a plan for the region
- 2 that meets the requirements of subsection (5) of this section.
- 3 (7) Upon approval of a plan, the office shall implement those
- 4 elements of the plan over which the state has authority. If federal
- 5 authority or action is required, the office shall petition the
- 6 appropriate agency or congress.
- 7 (8) Not later than July 1st of each even-numbered year each
- 8 regional marine safety committee shall report its findings and
- 9 recommendations to the marine oversight board established in section
- 10 501 of this act and the office concerning vessel traffic safety in its
- 11 region and any recommendations for improving tanker, barge, and other
- 12 vessel safety in the region by amending the regional marine safety
- 13 plan. The regional committees shall also provide technical assistance
- 14 to the marine oversight board."
- 15 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 423. EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM. An emergency
- 16 response system for the Strait of Juan de Fuca shall be established by
- 17 July 1, 1992. In establishing the emergency response system, the
- 18 administrator shall consider the recommendations of the regional marine
- 19 safety committees. The administrator shall also consult with the
- 20 province of British Columbia regarding its participation in the
- 21 emergency response system."
- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 424. CAPTIONS NOT LAW. Section headings as
- 23 used in this chapter do not constitute any part of the law."
- 24 "Sec. 425. RCW 90.48.385 and 1990 c 116 s 16 are each amended to
- 25 read as follows:
- 26 ((The department of ecology shall study standards for the manner in
- 27 which, and the equipment with which, tow boats may tow barges carrying

- 1 oil or hazardous substances as cargo or cargo residue.)) The regional
- 2 marine safety committees established pursuant to section 422 of this
- 3 1991 act shall study federal requirements for tow equipment for barges
- 4 <u>carrying oil in bulk.</u> The <u>committees shall review</u> standards ((shall
- 5 address but are not limited to)) for: Wire rope specifications,
- 6 catenary, the design of related on-board equipment, number of cables,
- 7 ((and)) back-up or barge retrieval systems in case of cable break, and
- 8 the operation, maintenance, and inspection of cables and other tow
- 9 <u>equipment</u>.
- 10 ((The department shall seek voluntary compliance with such
- 11 standards.
- 12 Finally, the department shall study state jurisdiction over and
- 13 liability of mandatory compliance with such standards. The department
- 14 shall report to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature
- 15 by July 1, 1991, recommendations regarding mandatory compliance with
- 16 such standards.))
- 17 The committees shall submit their report to the office within one
- 18 year after the committees are established. The report shall include a
- 19 recommendation on whether the office should adopt standards for tow
- 20 equipment and its maintenance, operation, and inspection. If there is
- 21 a recommendation that the office adopt standards, the recommended
- 22 standards shall also be included in the report."
- 23 "Sec. 426. RCW 90.48.510 and 1987 c 479 s 2 are each amended to
- 24 read as follows:
- 25 ((After June 30, 1988,)) Any person or facility conducting ship
- 26 refueling and bunkering operations, or the lightering of petroleum
- 27 products, and any person or facility transferring oil between an
- 28 onshore or offshore facility and a tank vessel shall have containment
- 29 and recovery equipment readily available for deployment in the event of

the discharge of oil into the waters of the state and shall deploy the 1 2 containment and recovery equipment in accordance with standards adopted by the office. All persons conducting refueling, bunkering, or 3 4 lightering operations, or oil transfer operations shall be trained in 5 the use and deployment of oil spill containment and recovery equipment. 6 ((After examining existing equipment locations, the methods and conditions of deployment, and accessibility of any federal or other 7 publicly or privately owned and operated containment and recovery 8 9 equipment or systems, and reviewing federal, state, or local laws, 10 rules, or regulations and ordinances governing refueling, bunkering, or lightering of petroleum products,)). The ((department of ecology may)) 11 12 office shall adopt rules as necessary to carry out the provisions of 13 this section. The rules shall include standards for the circumstances 14 under which containment equipment should be deployed. An onshore or 15 offshore facility shall include the procedures used to contain and recover discharges in the facility's contingency plan. It is the 16 17 responsibility of the person providing bunkering, refueling, or 18 lightering services to provide any containment or recovery equipment 19 required under this section."

20 "PART V

21 MARINE OVERSIGHT BOARD"

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 501. MARINE OVERSIGHT BOARD. (1) The oil and hazardous substance marine oversight board is established to provide independent oversight of the actions of the federal government, industry, the department, the office, and other state agencies with respect to oil and hazardous substance spill prevention and response.

(2)(a) The board may, at its own discretion, study any aspect of oil and hazardous substance spill prevention and response in the state.

- 1 The board shall report to the governor and make recommendations to the
- 2 department and the office on activities of the federal government and
- 3 industry with respect to oil and hazardous substance spill prevention
- 4 and response, including recommendations for the state's response to
- 5 those actions. The board shall specifically review the need for, and
- 6 the structure and design of an emergency response system for the Strait
- 7 of Juan de Fuca and the Pacific coast. The board shall also make
- 8 recommendations to the legislature and other state agencies on any
- 9 provision of this chapter, other state laws, and rules, policies, and
- 10 guidelines adopted by the department, the office, or, other state
- 11 agencies relating to the prevention and cleanup of oil and hazardous
- 12 substance spills into the waters of the state.
- 13 (b) To minimize duplication of effort, reviews conducted by the
- 14 board shall be coordinated with related activities of the federal
- 15 government, the department, the office, and other appropriate state and
- 16 international entities.
- 17 (c) The board shall evaluate and report at least annually to the
- 18 governor and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature on
- 19 oil and hazardous substance spill prevention, response, and
- 20 preparedness programs within the state.
- 21 (3) There shall be five members of the board appointed by the
- 22 governor for terms of five years. Members' terms shall be staggered.
- 23 The members of the board shall be representative of the public and
- 24 shall have demonstrable knowledge of environmental protection and the
- 25 study of marine ecosystems, or have familiarity with marine
- 26 transportation systems. No member of the board may be in the business
- 27 of, or be employed by, or under contract with, any person or entity
- 28 that is in the business of transporting, storing, or handling oil or
- 29 hazardous substances or be employed by a recognized environmental
- 30 organization.

- 1 (4) A chair shall be selected by majority vote of the board. The
- 2 board shall meet as often as required, but at least four times per
- 3 year. Members shall be reimbursed for travel and expenses for
- 4 attending meetings as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.
- 5 (5) The chair may hire staff as necessary for the board to fulfill
- 6 its responsibilities."
- 7 "PART VI
- 8 TANKER REQUIREMENTS"
- 9 "Sec. 601. RCW 88.16.170 and 1975 1st ex.s. c 125 s 1 are each
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 Because of the danger of spills, the legislature finds that the
- 12 transportation of crude oil and refined petroleum products by tankers
- 13 on the Columbia river and on Puget Sound and adjacent waters creates a
- 14 great potential hazard to important natural resources of the state and
- 15 to jobs and incomes dependent on these resources.
- 16 The legislature recognizes that the Columbia river has many natural
- 17 obstacles to navigation and shifting navigation channels that create
- 18 the risk of an oil spill. The legislature also recognizes Puget Sound
- 19 and adjacent waters are a relatively confined salt water environment
- 20 with irregular shorelines and therefore there is a greater than usual
- 21 likelihood of long-term damage from any large oil spill.
- 22 The legislature further recognizes that certain areas of the
- 23 Columbia river and Puget Sound and adjacent waters have limited space
- 24 for maneuvering a large oil tanker and that these waters contain many
- 25 natural navigational obstacles as well as a high density of commercial
- 26 and pleasure boat traffic.
- 27 For these reasons, it is important that large oil tankers be
- 28 piloted by highly skilled persons who are familiar with local waters

- 1 and that such tankers have sufficient capability for rapid maneuvering
- 2 responses.
- 3 It is therefore the intent and purpose of RCW 88.16.180 as
- 4 recodified by this 1991 act and 88.16.190 as recodified by this 1991
- 5 <u>act</u> to decrease the likelihood of oil spills on the Columbia river and
- 6 on Puget Sound and its shorelines by requiring all oil tankers above a
- 7 certain size to employ ((Washington state)) licensed pilots and((, if
- 8 lacking certain safety and maneuvering capability requirements,)) to be
- 9 escorted by a tug or tugs while navigating on certain areas of Puget
- 10 Sound and adjacent waters."
- 11 "Sec. 602. RCW 88.16.180 and 1983 c 3 s 231 are each amended to
- 12 read as follows:
- Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 88.16.070, any registered oil
- 14 tanker((, whether enrolled or registered,)) of ((fifty)) five thousand
- 15 ((deadweight)) <u>gross</u> tons or greater, shall be required:
- 16 <u>(1) T</u>o take a Washington state licensed pilot while navigating
- 17 Puget Sound and adjacent waters and shall be liable for and pay
- 18 pilotage rates pursuant to RCW 88.16.035; and
- 19 (2) To take a licensed pilot while navigating the Columbia river."
- 20 "Sec. 603. RCW 88.16.200 and 1977 ex.s. c 337 s 16 are each
- 21 amended to read as follows:
- 22 Any vessel designed for the purpose of carrying as its cargo
- 23 liquefied natural or propane gas shall adhere to the provisions of RCW
- 24 88.16.190(2) as recodified by this 1991 act as though it ((was)) were
- 25 an oil tanker."
- 26 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 604. RECKLESS OPERATION OF A VESSEL. (1) A
- 27 person commits the crime of reckless operation of a tank vessel if,

- 1 while operating, navigating, or piloting a tank vessel, the person,
- 2 with recklessness as defined in RCW 9A.08.010, causes a release of oil.
- 3 (2) Reckless operation of a vessel is a class C felony under
- 4 chapter 9A.20 RCW."
- 5 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 605. NEGLIGENT OPERATION OF A VESSEL. (1) A
- 6 person commits the crime of negligent operation of a tank vessel if,
- 7 while operating, navigating, or piloting a tank vessel, the person,
- 8 with criminal negligence, as defined in RCW 9A.08.010, causes a release
- 9 of oil.
- 10 (2) Negligent operation of a vessel is a gross misdemeanor under
- 11 chapter 9A.20 RCW."
- 12 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 606. OPERATION OF A VESSEL WHILE UNDER
- 13 INFLUENCE OF LIQUOR OR DRUGS. (1) A person is guilty of operating a
- 14 vessel while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs if the
- 15 person operates a covered vessel within this state while:
- 16 (a) The person has 0.06 grams or more of alcohol per two hundred
- 17 ten liters of breath, as shown by analysis of the person's breath made
- 18 under section 607 of this act; or
- 19 (b) The person has 0.06 percent or more by weight of alcohol in the
- 20 person's blood as shown by analysis of the person's blood made under
- 21 section 607 of this act; or
- 22 (c) The person is under the influence of or affected by
- 23 intoxicating liquor or drugs; or
- 24 (d) The person is under the combined influence of or affected by
- 25 intoxicating liquor or drugs.
- 26 (2) The fact that any person charged with a violation of this
- 27 section is or has been entitled to use such drug under the laws of this

- 1 state shall not constitute a defense against any charge of violating
- 2 this section.
- 3 (3) Operating a vessel while intoxicated is a class C felony under
- 4 chapter 9A.20 RCW."
- 5 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 607. BREATH OR BLOOD ANALYSIS. (1) Upon the
- 6 trial of any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts
- 7 alleged to have been committed by a person while operating a vessel
- 8 while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs, if the
- 9 amount of alcohol in the person's blood or breath at the time alleged
- 10 as shown by analysis of his blood or breath is less than 0.06 percent
- 11 by weight of alcohol in his blood or 0.06 grams of alcohol per two
- 12 hundred ten liters of the person's breath, it is evidence that may be
- 13 considered with other competent evidence in determining whether the
- 14 person was under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs.
- 15 (2) The breath analysis shall be based upon grams of alcohol per
- 16 two hundred ten liters of breath. The foregoing provisions of this
- 17 section shall not be construed as limiting the introduction of any
- 18 other competent evidence bearing upon the question whether the person
- 19 was under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug.
- 20 (3) Analysis of the person's blood or breath to be considered valid
- 21 under this section shall have been performed according to methods
- 22 approved by the state toxicologist and by an individual possessing a
- 23 valid permit issued by the state toxicologist for this purpose. The
- 24 state toxicologist shall approve satisfactory techniques or methods, to
- 25 supervise the examination of individuals to ascertain their
- 26 qualifications and competence to conduct such analyses, and to issue
- 27 permits that are subject to termination or revocation at the discretion
- 28 of the state toxicologist.

- 1 (4) If a blood test is administered under this section, the 2 withdrawal of blood for the purpose of determining its alcoholic 3 content may be performed only by a physician, a registered nurse, or a
- 4 qualified technician. This limitation shall not apply to the taking of
- 5 breath specimens.
- 6 (5) The person tested may have a physician, or a qualified
- 7 technician, chemist, registered nurse, or other qualified person of his
- 8 or her own choosing administer one or more tests in addition to any
- 9 administered at the direction of a law enforcement officer. The
- 10 failure or inability to obtain an additional test by a person shall not
- 11 preclude the admission of evidence relating to the test or tests taken
- 12 at the direction of a law enforcement officer.
- 13 (6) Upon the request of the person who submits to a test or tests
- 14 at the request of a law enforcement officer, full information
- 15 concerning the test or tests shall be made available to the person or
- 16 his or her attorney."
- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 608. LIMITED IMMUNITY FOR BLOOD WITHDRAWAL. No
- 18 physician, registered nurse, qualified technician, or hospital, or duly
- 19 licensed clinical laboratory employing or using services of the
- 20 physician, registered nurse, or qualified technician, may incur any
- 21 civil or criminal liability as a result of the act of withdrawing blood
- 22 from any person when directed by a law enforcement officer to do so for
- 23 the purpose of a blood test under section 607 of this act. This
- 24 section shall not relieve any physician, registered nurse, qualified
- 25 technician, or hospital or duly licensed clinical laboratory from civil
- 26 liability arising from the use of improper procedures or failing to
- 27 exercise the required standard of care."

1 "PART VII

2 FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY"

- 3 "Sec. 701. RCW 88.40.005 and 1990 c 116 s 29 are each amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 The legislature recognizes that oil and hazardous substance spills
- 6 and other forms of incremental pollution present serious danger to the
- 7 fragile marine environment of Washington state. It is the intent and
- 8 purpose of this chapter to define and prescribe financial
- 9 responsibility requirements for vessels that transport petroleum
- 10 products and hazardous substances as cargo or as fuel across the waters
- 11 of the state of Washington and for facilities that store, handle, or
- 12 transfer oil or hazardous substances in bulk on or near the navigable
- 13 <u>waters</u>."
- 14 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 702. DEFINITIONS. Unless the context clearly
- 15 requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout
- 16 this chapter.
- 17 (1) "Administrator" means the administrator of the office of marine
- 18 safety created in section 402 of this act.
- 19 (2) "Cargo vessel" means a ship in commerce, other than a tank
- 20 vessel or a passenger vessel, of three hundred gross tons or more,
- 21 including but not limited to, commercial fish processing vessels and
- 22 freighters.
- 23 (3) "Bulk" means material that is stored or transported in a loose,
- 24 unpackaged liquid, powder, or granular form capable of being conveyed
- 25 by a pipe, bucket, chute, or belt system.
- 26 (4) "Covered vessel" means a tank vessel, cargo vessel, or
- 27 passenger vessel.
- 28 (5) "Department" means the department of ecology.

- 1 (6) "Director" means the director of the department of ecology.
- 2 (7)(a) "Facility" means any structure, group of structures,
- 3 equipment, pipeline, or device, other than a vessel that is used for
- 4 producing, storing, handling, transferring, processing, or transporting
- 5 oil in bulk.
- 6 (b) A facility does not include any: (i) Railroad car, motor
- 7 vehicle, or other rolling stock while transporting oil over the
- 8 highways or rail lines of this state; (ii) retail motor vehicle motor
- 9 fuel outlet; (iii) facility that is operated as part of an exempt
- 10 agricultural activity as provided in RCW 82.04.330; or (iv) underground
- 11 storage tank regulated by the department or a local government under
- 12 chapter 90.76 RCW.
- 13 (8) "Hazardous substances" means any substance listed in Table
- 14 302.4 of 40 C.F.R. Part 302 adopted August 14, 1989, under section
- 15 101(14) of the federal comprehensive environmental response,
- 16 compensation, and liability act of 1980, as amended by P.L. 99-499.
- 17 The following are not hazardous substances for purposes of this
- 18 chapter:
- 19 (a) Wastes listed as F001 through F028 in Table 302.4; and
- 20 (b) Wastes listed as K001 through K136 in Table 302.4.
- 21 (9) "Inland barge" means any barge operating on the waters of the
- 22 state and certified by the coast guard as an inland barge.
- 23 (10) "Navigable waters of the state" means those waters of the
- 24 state, and their adjoining shorelines, that are subject to the ebb and
- 25 flow of the tide and/or are presently used, have been used in the past,
- 26 or may be susceptible for use to transport intrastate, interstate, or
- 27 foreign commerce.
- 28 (11) "Office" means the office of marine safety established by
- 29 section 402 of this act.

- 1 (12) "Oil" or "oils" means any naturally occurring liquid
- 2 hydrocarbons at atmospheric temperature and pressure coming from the
- 3 earth, including condensate and natural gasoline, and any fractionation
- 4 thereof, including, but not limited to, crude oil, petroleum, gasoline,
- 5 fuel oil, diesel oil, oil sludge, oil refuse, and oil mixed with wastes
- 6 other than dredged spoil. Oil does not include any substance listed in
- 7 Table 302.4 of 40 C.F.R. Part 302 adopted August 14, 1989, under
- 8 section 101(14) of the federal comprehensive environmental response,
- 9 compensation, and liability act of 1980, as amended by P.L. 99-499.
- 10 (13) "Offshore facility" means any facility located in, on, or
- 11 under any of the navigable waters of the state, but does not include a
- 12 facility any part of which is located in, on, or under any land of the
- 13 state, other than submerged land.
- 14 (14) "Onshore facility" means any facility any part of which is
- 15 located in, on, or under any land of the state, other than submerged
- 16 land, that because of its location, could reasonably be expected to
- 17 cause substantial harm to the environment by discharging oil into or on
- 18 the navigable waters of the state or the adjoining shorelines.
- 19 (15)(a) "Owner or operator" means (i) in the case of a vessel, any
- 20 person owning, operating, or chartering by devise, the vessel; (ii) in
- 21 the case of an onshore or offshore facility, any person owning or
- 22 operating the facility; and (iii) in the case of an abandoned vessel or
- 23 onshore or offshore facility, the person who owned or operated the
- 24 vessel or facility immediately before its abandonment.
- 25 (b) "Operator" does not include any person who owns the land
- 26 underlying a facility if the person is not involved in the operations
- 27 of the facility.
- 28 (16) "Passenger vessel" means a ship of three hundred or more gross
- 29 tons carrying passengers for compensation.

- 1 (17) "Ship" means any boat, ship, vessel, barge, or other floating
- 2 craft of any kind.
- 3 (18) "Spill" means an unauthorized discharge of oil or hazardous
- 4 substances into the waters of the state.
- 5 (19) "Tank vessel" means a ship that is constructed or adapted to
- 6 carry, or that carries, oil in bulk as cargo or cargo residue, and
- 7 that:
- 8 (a) Operates on the waters of the state; or
- 9 (b) Transfers oil in a port or place subject to the jurisdiction of
- 10 this state.
- 11 (20) "Waters of the state" includes lakes, rivers, ponds, streams,
- 12 inland waters, underground water, salt waters, estuaries, tidal flats,
- 13 beaches and lands adjoining the seacoast of the state, sewers, and all
- 14 other surface waters and watercourses within the jurisdiction of the
- 15 state of Washington."
- 16 "Sec. 703. RCW 88.40.020 and 1990 c 116 s 31 are each amended to
- 17 read as follows:
- 18 <u>(1)</u> Any ((vessel over three hundred gross tons, that transports
- 19 petroleum products as cargo, and any)) inland barge that transports oil
- 20 or hazardous substances as cargo, using any port or place in the state
- 21 of Washington or the navigable waters of the state shall establish((τ
- 22 under rules prescribed by the director of the department of ecology,))
- 23 evidence of financial responsibility in the amount of the greater of
- 24 one million dollars, or one hundred fifty dollars per gross ton of such
- 25 vessel((, to meet the liability to the state of Washington for the
- 26 following: (1) The actual costs for removal of spills of petroleum
- 27 products or hazardous substances; (2) civil penalties and fines; and
- 28 (3) natural resource damages)).

- 1 (2)(a) A tank vessel that carries oil as cargo in bulk shall
- 2 demonstrate financial responsibility to pay at least five hundred
- 3 million dollars.
- 4 (b) The department by rule may establish a lesser standard of
- 5 financial responsibility for barges of three thousand gross tons or
- 6 less. The standard shall set the level of financial responsibility
- 7 based on the quantity of cargo the barge is capable of carrying. The
- 8 <u>department shall not set the standard for barges of three thousand</u>
- 9 gross tons or less below that required under federal law.
- 10 (3) A cargo vessel or passenger vessel that caries oil as fuel
- 11 shall demonstrate financial responsibility to pay the greater of at
- 12 <u>least six hundred dollars per gross ton or five hundred thousand</u>
- 13 dollars.
- 14 (4) The certificate of financial responsibility shall meet the
- 15 liability of the certificate holder for the actual costs for removal of
- 16 spills of oil and necessary expenses.
- 17 <u>(5) The office may by rule set a lesser amount of financial</u>
- 18 responsibility for a tank vessel that meets standards for construction,
- 19 propulsion, equipment, and personnel established by the office. The
- 20 office shall require as a minimum level of financial responsibility
- 21 under this subsection the same level of financial responsibility
- 22 required under federal law.
- 23 (6) This section shall not apply to a covered vessel owned or
- 24 operated by the federal government or by a state or local government."
- 25 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 704. An onshore or offshore facility shall
- 26 demonstrate financial responsibility in an amount determined by the
- 27 department as necessary to compensate the state and affected counties
- 28 and cities for damages that might occur during a reasonable worst case
- 29 spill of oil from that facility into the navigable waters of the state.

- 1 The department shall consider such matters as the amount of oil that
- 2 could be spilled into the navigable waters from the facility, the cost
- 3 of cleaning up the spilled oil, the frequency of operations at the
- 4 facility, the damages that could result from the spill and the
- 5 commercial availability and affordability of financial responsibility.
- 6 This section shall not apply to an onshore or offshore facility owned
- 7 or operated by the federal government or by the state or local
- 8 government."
- 9 "Sec. 705. RCW 88.40.030 and 1990 c 116 s 32 are each amended to
- 10 read as follows:
- 11 Financial responsibility required by this chapter may be
- 12 established by any one of, or a combination of, the following methods
- 13 acceptable to the ((director of)) office of marine safety or the
- 14 department of ecology: (1) Evidence of insurance; (2) surety bonds;
- 15 (3) qualification as a self-insurer; or (4) other evidence of financial
- 16 responsibility. Any bond filed shall be issued by a bonding company
- 17 authorized to do business in the United States. Documentation of such
- 18 financial responsibility shall be kept on any ((barge or tank)) covered
- 19 vessel ((transporting petroleum products or hazardous substances as
- 20 cargo)) and filed with the ((department)) office at least twenty-four
- 21 hours before entry of the vessel into the navigable waters of the
- 22 <u>state</u>. ((The owner or operator of any other vessel shall maintain on
- 23 the vessel a certificate issued by the United States coast guard
- 24 evidencing compliance with the requirements of section 311 of the
- 25 federal clean water act, 33 U.S.C. Sec. 1251 et seq.)) The owner or
- 26 operator of the vessel may file with the office a certificate
- 27 evidencing compliance with the requirements of another state's or
- 28 federal financial responsibility requirements if the state or federal

- 1 government requires a level of financial responsibility at least as
- 2 high as that required under this chapter."
- 3 "Sec. 706. RCW 88.40.040 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 2 s 5 are each
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 (1) The office shall deny entry to the waters of the state to any
- 6 vessel that does not meet the financial responsibility requirements of
- 7 this chapter. Any vessel owner or operator that does not meet the
- 8 financial responsibility requirements of this chapter and any rules
- 9 prescribed thereunder or the federal oil pollution act of 1990 shall be
- 10 reported by the office to the ((secretary of transportation who shall
- 11 suspend the privilege of operating said vessel until financial
- 12 responsibility is demonstrated)) United States coast guard.
- 13 (2) The office shall enforce section 1016 of the federal oil
- 14 pollution act of 1990 as authorized by section 1019 of the federal act.
- 15 (3) Any onshore or offshore facility owner or operator who does not
- 16 meet the financial responsibility requirements of section 704 of this
- 17 1991 act and any rules adopted by the department shall be reported to
- 18 the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall suspend the
- 19 <u>facility's privilege of operating in this state until financial</u>
- 20 responsibility is demonstrated."
- 21 "PART VIII
- 22 FUNDS"
- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 801. DEFINITIONS. Unless the context clearly
- 24 requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout
- 25 this chapter.

- 1 (1) "Crude oil" means any naturally occurring liquid hydrocarbons
- 2 at atmospheric temperature and pressure coming from the earth,
- 3 including condensate and natural gasoline.
- 4 (2) "Department" means the department of revenue.
- 5 (3) "Marine terminal" means any facility of any kind, other than a
- 6 waterborne vessel, that is used for transferring crude oil or petroleum
- 7 products to or from a waterborne vessel or barge.
- 8 (4) "Navigable waters" means those waters of the state and their
- 9 adjoining shorelines, that are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide,
- 10 and that are used, have been used, or may be used to transport
- 11 intrastate, interstate, or foreign commerce.
- 12 (5) "Person" has the meaning provided in RCW 82.04.030.
- 13 (6) "Petroleum product" means any liquid hydrocarbons at
- 14 atmospheric temperature and pressure that is the product of
- 15 fractionation, distillation, or other refining or processing of crude
- 16 oil, and that is used as, useable as, or may be refined as a fuel or
- 17 fuel blendstock, including, but not limited to, gasoline, diesel fuel,
- 18 aviation fuel, bunker fuel, and fuels containing a blend of alcohol and
- 19 petroleum.
- 20 (7) "Barrel" means a unit of measurement of volume equal to forty-
- 21 two United States gallons of crude oil or petroleum product.
- 22 (8) "Taxpayer" means the person owning crude oil or petroleum
- 23 products at the time the same are off-loaded at a marine terminal in
- 24 this state and who is liable for the tax imposed by this chapter. The
- 25 term shall also include any affiliated entity which may pay tax under
- 26 section 802(7) of this act.
- 27 (9) "Waterborne vessel or barge" means any ship, barge, or other
- 28 watercraft capable of travelling on the navigable waters of this state
- 29 and capable of transporting any crude oil or petroleum product for
- 30 purposes other than providing fuel for its motor or engine."

- 1 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 802. (1) An oil spill response tax is imposed
- 2 on the privilege of off-loading crude oil or petroleum products at a
- 3 marine terminal within this state from a waterborne vessel or barge
- 4 operating on the navigable waters of this state. The tax imposed in
- 5 this section is levied upon the owner of the crude oil or petroleum
- 6 products at the time such off-loading occurs at the rate of five cents
- 7 per barrel of crude oil or petroleum product off-loaded.
- 8 (2) The taxes imposed by this chapter shall be collected by the
- 9 marine terminal operator from the owner of the crude oil or petroleum
- 10 products off-loaded at the marine terminal. If any person charged with
- 11 collecting the tax fails to bill the taxpayer for the tax, or in the
- 12 alternative has not notified the taxpayer in writing of the imposition
- 13 of the tax, or having collected the tax, fails to pay it to the
- 14 department in the manner prescribed by this chapter, whether such
- 15 failure is the result of the person's own acts or the result of acts or
- 16 conditions beyond the person's control, he or she shall, nevertheless,
- 17 be personally liable to the state for the amount of the tax. Payment
- 18 of the tax by the owner to a marine terminal operator shall relieve the
- 19 owner from further liability for the tax.
- 20 (3) Taxes collected under this chapter shall be held in trust until
- 21 paid to the department. Any person collecting the tax who appropriates
- 22 or converts the tax collected shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor if
- 23 the money required to be collected is not available for payment on the
- 24 date payment is due. The tax required by this chapter to be collected
- 25 shall be stated separately from other charges made by the marine
- 26 terminal operator in any invoice or other statement of account provided
- 27 to the taxpayer.
- 28 (4) If a taxpayer fails to pay the tax imposed by this chapter to
- 29 the person charged with collection of the tax and the person charged
- 30 with collection fails to pay the tax to the department, the department

- 1 may, in its discretion, proceed directly against the taxpayer for
- 2 collection of the tax.
- 3 (5) The tax shall be due from the marine terminal operator, along
- 4 with reports and returns on forms prescribed by the department, within
- 5 twenty-five days after the end of the month in which the taxable
- 6 activity occurs.
- 7 (6) The amount of tax, until paid by the taxpayer to the marine
- 8 terminal operator or to the department, shall constitute a debt from
- 9 the taxpayer to the marine terminal operator and any person required to
- 10 collect the tax who fails or refuses to do so as required with intent
- 11 to violate the provisions of this chapter, and any taxpayer who refuses
- 12 to pay any tax due under this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
- 13 (7) Upon prior approval of the department, the owner of crude oil
- 14 or petroleum products off-loaded in this state may appoint an
- 15 affiliated entity located in this state to pay the taxes imposed by
- 16 this chapter directly to the department. For this purpose an
- 17 affiliated entity is any entity which is majority owned or controlled
- 18 by a common parent or owner. The department shall give its approval
- 19 for direct payment under this section whenever it appears, in the
- 20 department's judgment, that direct payment will enhance the
- 21 administration of the taxes imposed under this chapter. The department
- 22 shall provide by rule for the issuance of a direct payment certificate
- 23 to any taxpayer qualifying for direct payment of the tax through an
- 24 affiliated entity. Good faith acceptance of a direct payment
- 25 certificate by a terminal operator shall relieve the marine terminal
- 26 operator from any liability for the collection or payment of the taxes
- 27 imposed under this chapter.
- 28 (8) The taxes collected under this chapter shall be deposited into
- 29 the state oil spill response and prevention account."

- 1 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 803. The tax imposed under this chapter shall
- 2 only apply to the first off-loading of crude oil or petroleum products
- 3 at a marine terminal in this state and not to the later transporting
- 4 and subsequent off-loading of the same oil or petroleum product,
- 5 whether in the form originally off-loaded in this state or after
- 6 refining or other processing."
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 804. The tax imposed under this chapter shall
- 8 not apply to any crude oil or petroleum products off-loaded at a marine
- 9 terminal and subsequently exported from or sold for export from the
- 10 state."
- 11 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 805. (1) The state oil spill administration
- 12 and response account is hereby created in the state treasury. All
- 13 taxes collected under this chapter shall be deposited in the account.
- 14 Expenditures from the account shall be used exclusively for the
- 15 purposes of this chapter. The account is subject to allotment
- 16 procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW. Expenditures for payment of the
- 17 costs of administration of the provisions of this chapter may be made
- 18 only after appropriation by statute. No appropriation is required for
- 19 payment of the costs associated with the response to spills of crude
- 20 oil or petroleum products.
- 21 (2) Costs of administration of the provisions of this chapter
- 22 include the costs of:
- 23 (a) Routine responses not covered under subsection (3) of this
- 24 section;
- 25 (b) Management and staff development activities;
- 26 (c) Development of rules and policies and the state-wide plan
- 27 provided for in RCW 90.48.378 as recodified by this act;

- 1 (d) Facility and vessel plan review and approval, drills,
- 2 inspections, investigations, enforcement, and litigation;
- 3 (e) Interagency coordination and public outreach and education;
- 4 (f) Collection and administration of the fee provided for in this
- 5 chapter; and
- 6 (g) Appropriate travel, goods and services, contracts, and
- 7 equipment consistent with activities provided for in chapters 90.56 and
- 8 88.-- RCW (sections 413 through 424 of this act).
- 9 (3) Costs associated with the response to spills of crude oil or
- 10 petroleum products include:
- 11 (a) Natural resource damage assessment and related activities;
- 12 (b) Spill related response, containment, wildlife rescue, cleanup,
- 13 disposal, and associated costs;
- (c) Interagency coordination and public outreach and education;
- 15 (d) Collection and administration of the tax provided for in this
- 16 chapter; and
- 17 (e) Appropriate travel, goods and services, contracts, and
- 18 equipment consistent with activities provided for in chapters 90.56 and
- 19 88.-- RCW (sections 413 through 424 of this act).
- 20 (4) Within forty-five days after the end of each calendar quarter,
- 21 the office of financial management shall determine the balance of the
- 22 oil spill administration and response account as of the last day of the
- 23 immediately preceding quarter. Balance determinations by the office of
- 24 financial management under this section are final and shall not be used
- 25 to challenge the validity of any tax imposed under this chapter. The
- 26 office of financial management shall promptly notify the departments of
- 27 revenue and ecology of the account balance once a determination is
- 28 made. For each subsequent calendar quarter, tax shall be imposed under
- 29 this chapter during the entire calendar quarter unless:

- 1 (a) Tax was imposed under this chapter during the immediately
- 2 preceding calendar quarter, and the most recent quarterly balance is
- 3 more than thirty-three million dollars; or
- 4 (b) Tax was not imposed under this chapter during the immediately
- 5 preceding calendar quarter, and the most recent quarterly balance is
- 6 more than seventeen million dollars."
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 806. The following amounts are appropriated
- 8 from the oil spill administration and response account for the biennium
- 9 ending June 30, 1993, for the purposes of this act.
- 10 Department of Ecology \$ 3,044,000
- 11 Marine Safety Office \$ 3,196,000
- 12 Department of Wildlife \$ 565,000
- 13 Department of Community Development \$ 500,000
- 14 Department of Fisheries \$ 410,000
- 15 State Parks and Recreation Commission \$ 61,000
- 16 University of Washington \$ 229,000
- 17 Department of Natural Resources \$ 35,000
- 18 Department of Revenue \$\frac{120,000}{}
- 19 Total Appropriation...... \$ 8,160,000
- 20 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following
- 21 conditions and limitations: The entire appropriation to the University
- 22 of Washington is provided solely for the Washington sea grant program
- 23 to develop and conduct a spill prevention education program in
- 24 accordance with section 110 of this act."

- 1 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 807. The department shall adopt such rules as
- 2 may be necessary to enforce and administer the provisions of this
- 3 chapter."
- 4 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 808. The taxes imposed in this chapter shall
- 5 take effect October 1, 1991."
- 6 "Sec. 809. RCW 90.48.142 and 1989 c 262 s 2 are each amended to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 (1) Any person who:
- 9 (a)(i) Violates any of the provisions of this chapter((-)) or
- 10 <u>chapter 90.56 RCW;</u>
- 11 (ii) Fails to perform any duty imposed by this chapter((-)) or
- 12 <u>chapter 90.56 RCW;</u>
- 13 (iii) Violates an order or other determination of the department or
- 14 the director made pursuant to the provisions of this chapter((-
- 15 including)) or chapter 90.56 RCW;
- 16 (iv) Violates the conditions of a waste discharge permit issued
- 17 pursuant to RCW 90.48.160((, and in the course thereof causes the death
- 18 of, or injury to, fish, animals, vegetation or other resources of the
- 19 state,)); or
- 20 <u>(v) Otherwise causes a reduction in the quality of the state's</u>
- 21 waters below the standards set by the department or, if no standards
- 22 have been set, causes significant degradation of water quality, thereby
- 23 damaging the same((-)); and
- (b) Causes the death of, or injury to, fish, animals, vegetation,
- 25 or other resources of the state;
- 26 shall be liable to pay the state and affected counties and cities
- 27 damages in an amount ((equal to the sum of money necessary to: (a)
- 28 Restore any damaged resource to its condition prior to the injury, to

- 1 the extent technically feasible, and compensate for the lost value
- 2 incurred during the period between injury and restoration; or (b)
- 3 compensate for the lost value throughout the duration of the injury
- 4 that the resource previously provided if restoration is not technically
- 5 feasible and, when only partial restoration is technically feasible,
- 6 compensate for the remaining lost value. "Technical feasibility" or
- 7 "technically feasible" shall mean for the purposes of this subsection,
- 8 that given available technology, a restoration or enhancement project
- 9 can be successfully completed at a cost that is not disproportionate to
- 10 the value of the resource prior to the injury.
- 11 (2) Restoration shall include the cost to restock such waters,
- 12 replenish or replace such resources, and otherwise restore the stream,
- 13 lake or other waters of the state, including any estuary, ocean area,
- 14 submerged lands, shoreline, bank, or other lands adjoining such waters
- 15 to its condition prior to the injury, as such condition is determined
- 16 by the department. The lost value of a damaged resource shall be equal
- 17 to the sum of consumptive, nonconsumptive, and indirect use values, as
- 18 well as lost taxation, leasing, and licensing revenues. Indirect use
- 19 values may include existence, bequest, option, and aesthetic values.
- 20 Damages shall be determined by generally accepted and cost-effective
- 21 procedures.
- 22 (3) Such damages shall be recoverable in an action brought by the
- 23 attorney general on behalf of the people of the state of Washington in
- 24 the superior court of Thurston county or the county in which such
- 25 damages occurred: PROVIDED, That if damages occurred in more than one
- 26 county the attorney general may bring action in any of the counties
- 27 where the damages occurred. Any money so recovered by the attorney
- 28 general shall be transferred to the coastal protection fund established
- 29 under RCW 90.48.390. A steering committee consisting of
- 30 representatives of the departments of ecology, fisheries, wildlife,

- natural resources, and the parks and recreation commission shall 1 authorize the expenditure of the moneys collected under this section 2 3 after consulting impacted local agencies and local and tribal 4 governments. The department shall chair the steering committee. The 5 moneys collected under this section shall only be used for the 6 following purposes: (a) Environmental restoration and enhancement projects intended to restore or enhance environmental, recreational, or 7 aesthetic resources for the benefit of Washington's citizens; (b) 8 9 investigations of the long-term effects of discharges, including sewer 10 sludge, on state resources; and (c) reimbursement of agencies for 11 reasonable reconnaissance and damage assessment costs under this chapter. Agencies may not be reimbursed under this section for the 12 13 salaries and benefits of permanent employees for routine operational 14 support. Agencies may only be reimbursed under this section if money 15 for reconnaissance and damage assessment activities is unavailable from 16 other sources. In authorizing restoration or enhancement projects, 17 preference shall be given to projects within counties where the injury
- (2) No action shall be authorized under this section against any person operating in compliance with the conditions of a waste discharge permit issued pursuant to RCW 90.48.160."

occurred)) determined pursuant to RCW 90.48.367.

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- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 810. A new section is added to chapter 90.48
 RCW to read as follows:
- For the purposes of this chapter, "technical feasibility" or "technically feasible" means that given available technology, a restoration or enhancement project can be successfully completed at a cost that is not disproportionate to the value of the resource before the injury."

- 1 "Sec. 811. RCW 90.48.366 and 1989 c 388 s 2 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
- 3 By July 1, 1991, the department, in consultation with the
- 4 departments of fisheries, wildlife, and natural resources, and the
- 5 parks and recreation commission, shall adopt rules establishing a
- 6 compensation schedule for the discharge of oil or hazardous substances
- 7 in violation of ((RCW 90.48.320, by persons liable under RCW
- 8 90.48.336)) this chapter and chapter 90.56 RCW. The department shall
- 9 establish a scientific advisory board to assist in establishing the
- 10 compensation schedule. The amount of compensation assessed under this
- 11 schedule shall be no less than one dollar per gallon of oil spilled and
- 12 no greater than fifty dollars per gallon of oil spilled. The
- 13 compensation schedule shall reflect adequate compensation for
- 14 unquantifiable damages or for damages not quantifiable at reasonable
- 15 cost for any adverse environmental, recreational, aesthetic, or other
- 16 effects caused by the ((oil)) spill and shall take into account:
- 17 (1) Characteristics of ((the)) any oil or hazardous substance
- 18 spilled, such as toxicity, dispersibility, solubility, and persistence,
- 19 that may affect the severity of the effects on the receiving
- 20 environment, living organisms, and recreational and aesthetic
- 21 resources;
- 22 (2) The sensitivity of the affected area as determined by such
- 23 factors as: (a) The location of the spill; (b) habitat and living
- 24 resource sensitivity; (c) seasonal distribution or sensitivity of
- 25 living resources; (d) areas of recreational use or aesthetic
- 26 importance; (e) the proximity of the spill to important habitats for
- 27 birds, aquatic mammals, fish, or to species listed as threatened or
- 28 endangered under state or federal law; and (f) other areas of special
- 29 ecological or recreational importance, as determined by the department;
- 30 and

- 1 (3) Actions taken by the party who spilled ((the)) oil or hazardous
- 2 <u>substances</u> or any party liable for the spill that: (a) Demonstrate a
- 3 recognition and affirmative acceptance of responsibility for the spill,
- 4 such as the immediate removal of oil or hazardous substances and the
- 5 amount of oil removed from the environment; or (b) enhance or impede
- 6 the detection of the spill, the determination of the ((number of
- 7 gallons)) quantity of oil or hazardous substances spilled, or the
- 8 extent of damage, including the unauthorized removal of evidence such
- 9 as ((oiled)) <u>injured</u> fish or wildlife."
- 10 "Sec. 812. RCW 90.48.367 and 1989 c 388 s 3 are each amended to
- 11 read as follows:
- 12 (1) ((Prior to assessing compensation under RCW 90.48.366)) After
- 13 a spill or other incident causing damages to the natural resources of
- 14 the state, the department shall conduct a formal preassessment
- 15 screening as provided in RCW 90.48.368.
- 16 (2) The department shall use the compensation schedule established
- 17 under RCW 90.48.366 to determine the amount of damages if the
- 18 preassessment screening committee determines that: (a) Restoration or
- 19 enhancement of the injured resources is not technically feasible; (b)
- 20 damages are not quantifiable at a reasonable cost; and (c) the
- 21 restoration and enhancement projects or studies proposed by the liable
- 22 parties are insufficient to adequately compensate the people of the
- 23 state for damages ((sustained as a result of the oil spill.
- 24 (2) Compensation shall not be assessed under this section for oil
- 25 spills for which damages have been or will be assessed under RCW
- $26 \quad 90.48.142$)).
- 27 (3) <u>If the preassessment screening committee determines that the</u>
- 28 <u>compensation schedule should not be used, compensation shall be</u>
- 29 assessed for the amount of money necessary to restore any damaged

- 1 resource to its condition before the injury, to the extent technically
- 2 <u>feasible</u>, and compensate for the lost value incurred during the period
- 3 between injury and restoration.
- 4 (4) Restoration shall include the cost to restock such waters,
- 5 replenish or replace such resources, and otherwise restore the stream,
- 6 lake, or other waters of the state, including any estuary, ocean area,
- 7 submerged lands, shoreline, bank, or other lands adjoining such waters
- 8 to its condition before the injury, as such condition is determined by
- 9 the department. The lost value of a damaged resource shall be equal to
- 10 the sum of consumptive, nonconsumptive, and indirect use values, as
- 11 well as lost taxation, leasing, and licensing revenues. Indirect use
- 12 values may include existence, bequest, option, and aesthetic values.
- 13 Damages shall be determined by generally accepted and cost-effective
- 14 procedures, including, but not limited to, contingent valuation method
- 15 <u>studies.</u>
- 16 (5) Compensation assessed under this section shall be recoverable
- 17 in an action brought by the attorney general on behalf of the people of
- 18 the state of Washington and affected counties and cities in the
- 19 superior court of Thurston county or any county in which damages
- 20 occurred. Moneys recovered by the attorney general under this section
- 21 shall be deposited in the coastal protection fund established under RCW
- 22 90.48.390, and shall only be used for the purposes stated in RCW
- 23 90.48.400.
- (((4))) (6) Compensation assessed under this section ((for a
- 25 particular oil spill)) shall preclude claims under this chapter by
- 26 local governments for compensation for damages to publicly owned
- 27 resources resulting from the same ((spill)) incident."
- 28 "Sec. 813. RCW 90.48.368 and 1989 c 388 s 4 are each amended to
- 29 read as follows:

- (1) The department shall adopt rules establishing a formal process for 1 2 preassessment screening of damages resulting from ((oil)) spills to the waters of the state causing the death of, or injury to, fish, animals, 3 4 vegetation, or other resources of the state. The rules shall specify the conditions under which the department shall convene a preassessment 5 6 screening committee. The preassessment screening process shall occur concurrently with reconnaissance activities. The committee shall use 7 information obtained from ((oil spill)) reconnaissance activities as 8 9 well as any other relevant resource and resource use information. For 10 each ((oil spill)) incident, the committee shall determine whether a damage assessment investigation should be conducted ((under RCW 11 90.48.142)), or ((alternatively)), whether the compensation schedule 12 authorized under RCW 90.48.366 and 90.48.367 should be used to assess 13 14 damages. The committee may accept restoration or enhancement projects 15 or studies proposed by the liable parties in lieu of some or all of: (a) The compensation schedule authorized under ((this chapter)) RCW 16 17 90.48.366 and 90.48.367; or (b) the claims from damage assessment 18 studies authorized under RCW 90.48.142 as recodified by this 1991 act. 19 (2) A preassessment screening committee may consist 20 representatives of the departments of ecology, fisheries, wildlife, resources, social and health services, and 21 natural management, the parks and recreation commission, as well as other 22 federal, state, and local agencies, and tribal and local governments 23 24 whose presence would enhance the reconnaissance or damage assessment 25 aspects of ((oil)) spill response. The department shall chair the 26 committee and determine which representatives will be needed on a
- 28 (3) The committee shall consider the following factors when 29 determining whether a damage assessment study authorized under RCW 30 ((90.48.142)) 90.48.367 should be conducted: (a) Whether evidence from

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spill-by-spill basis.

- 1 reconnaissance investigations suggests that injury has occurred or is
- 2 likely to occur to publicly owned resources; (b) the potential loss in
- 3 services provided by resources injured or likely to be injured and the
- 4 expected value of the potential loss; (c) whether a restoration project
- 5 to return lost services is technically feasible; (d) the accuracy of
- 6 damage quantification methods that could be used and the anticipated
- 7 cost-effectiveness of applying each method; (e) the extent to which
- 8 likely injury to resources can be verified with available
- 9 quantification methods; and (f) whether the injury, once quantified,
- 10 can be translated into monetary values with sufficient precision or
- 11 accuracy.
- 12 (4) When a resource damage assessment is required for an oil spill
- 13 in the navigable waters of the state, as defined in RCW 90.48.315 as
- 14 recodified by this 1991 act, the state trustee agency responsible for
- 15 the resource and habitat damaged shall conduct the damage assessment
- 16 and pursue all appropriate remedies with the responsible party.
- 17 <u>(5)</u> Oil <u>and hazardous substance</u> spill damage assessment studies
- 18 authorized under RCW ((90.48.142)) 90.48.367 may only be conducted if
- 19 the committee, after considering the factors enumerated in subsection
- 20 (3) of this section, determines that the damages to be investigated are
- 21 quantifiable at a reasonable cost and that proposed assessment studies
- 22 are clearly linked to quantification of the damages incurred.
- 23 (((5))) As new information becomes available, the committee may
- 24 reevaluate the scope of damage assessment using the factors listed in
- 25 subsection (3) of this section and may reduce or expand the scope of
- 26 damage assessment as appropriate.
- (((6))) (7) The preassessment screening process shall provide for
- 28 the ongoing involvement of persons who may be liable for damages
- 29 resulting from an oil or hazardous substance spill. The department may
- 30 negotiate with a potentially liable party to perform restoration and

- 1 enhancement projects or studies which may substitute for all or part of
- 2 the compensation authorized under RCW 90.48.366 and 90.48.367 or the
- 3 damage assessment studies authorized under RCW ((90.48.142)) 90.48.367.
- 4 (((7))) (8) For the purposes of this section and RCW 90.48.367, the
- 5 cost of a damage assessment shall be considered "reasonable" when the
- 6 anticipated cost of the damage assessment is expected to be less than
- 7 the anticipated damage that may have occurred or may occur."
- 8 "Sec. 814. RCW 90.48.390 and 1989 c 388 s 7 and 1989 c 262 s 3 are
- 9 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 10 The coastal protection fund is established to be used by the
- 11 department as a revolving fund for carrying out the purposes of
- 12 restoration of natural resources under this chapter and chapter 90.56
- 13 RCW ((90.48.315 through 90.48.365, 78.52.020, 78.52.125, 82.36.330,
- 14 90.48.142, 90.48.315, 90.48.370 through 90.48.410, 90.48.903, 90.48.906
- 15 and 90.48.907, and 90.48.366 through 90.48.368)). To this fund there
- 16 shall be credited penalties, fees, damages, ((and)) charges received
- 17 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and chapter 90.56 RCW
- 18 ((90.48.142 and 90.48.315 through 90.48.365)), compensation for damages
- 19 received under this chapter and chapter 90.56 RCW ((90.48.366 through
- 20 90.48.368)), and an amount equivalent to one cent per gallon from each
- 21 marine use refund claim under RCW 82.36.330.
- 22 Moneys in the fund not needed currently to meet the obligations of
- 23 the department in the exercise of its powers, duties, and functions
- 24 under RCW ((90.48.315 through 90.48.365 and RCW 78.52.020, 78.52.125,
- 25 82.36.330,)) 90.48.142, ((90.48.315, 90.48.370 through 90.48.410,
- $26 \quad 90.48.903, \quad 90.48.906 \quad and \quad 90.48.907)) \quad 90.48.366, \quad 90.48.367, \quad and$
- 27 <u>90.48.368</u> shall be deposited with the state treasurer to the credit of
- 28 the fund and may be invested in such manner as is provided for by law.
- 29 Interest received on such investment shall be credited to the fund."

- 1 "Sec. 815. RCW 90.48.400 and 1990 c 116 s 14 are each amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 (1) Moneys in the coastal protection fund shall be disbursed for the
- 4 following purposes and no others:
- 5 (a) ((All costs of the department related to the enforcement of RCW
- 6 90.48.315 through 90.48.365, 90.48.371 through 90.48.378, 90.48.381,
- 7 90.48.383, 90.48.385, 90.48.387, 90.48.388, 78.52.020, 78.52.125,
- 8 82.36.330, 90.48.142, 90.48.903, 90.48.906, and 90.48.907 including but
- 9 not limited to equipment rental and contracting costs.
- 10 (b) All costs involved in the abatement of pollution related to the
- 11 discharge of oil and other hazardous substances)) Environmental
- 12 <u>restoration and enhancement projects intended to restore or enhance</u>
- 13 environmental, recreational, or aesthetic resources for the benefit of
- 14 Washington's citizens; and
- 15 (b) Investigations of the long-term effects of oil spills and the
- 16 release of other hazardous substances on state resources.
- 17 (((c))) (2) The director may allocate a portion of the fund to be
- 18 devoted to research and development in the causes, effects, and removal
- 19 of pollution caused by the discharge of oil or other hazardous
- 20 substances.
- 21 (((2) Moneys disbursed from the coastal protection fund for the
- 22 abatement of pollution caused by the discharge of oil or other
- 23 hazardous substances shall be reimbursed to the fund whenever:
- 24 (a) Moneys are available under any federal program; or
- 25 (b) Moneys are available from a recovery made by the department
- 26 from the person liable for the discharge of oil or other hazardous
- 27 substances.
- 28 (3) Moneys collected under RCW 90.48.142 shall only be used for the
- 29 purposes enumerated in that section, subject to the approval of the
- 30 steering committee.

- (4))) (3) A steering committee consisting of representatives of the 1 2 department of ecology, fisheries, wildlife, and natural resources, and 3 the parks and recreation commission shall authorize the expenditure of the moneys collected under RCW 90.48.366 through 90.48.368, after 4 consulting impacted local agencies and local and tribal governments. 5 6 ((The moneys collected under RCW 90.48.366 through 90.48.368 shall only be used for the following purposes: (a) Environmental restoration and 7 enhancement projects intended to restore or enhance environmental, 8 9 recreational, or aesthetic resources for the benefit of Washington's 10 citizens; (b) investigations of the long-term effects of oil spills and 11 the release of other hazardous substances on state resources; (c) 12 reimbursement of agencies for reasonable reconnaissance and damage 13 assessment costs; and (d) wildlife rescue and rehabilitation.)) 14 (4) Agencies may not be reimbursed ((under this section)) from the 15 coastal protection fund for the salaries and benefits of permanent employees for routine operational support. Agencies may only be 16 reimbursed under this section if money for reconnaissance and damage 17
- "Sec. 816. RCW 90.48.369 and 1989 c 388 s 5 are each amended to 19 20 read as follows: The department shall submit an annual report to the appropriate 21 standing committees of the legislature for the next five years 22 23 beginning January 1, 1990. The annual report shall cover the implementation of ((this act)) RCW 90.48.366, 90.48.367, 90.48.368, and 24 25 90.48.369 and shall include information on each ((oil)) spill for which 26 a preassessment screening committee was convened, the outcome of each 27 process, any compensation claims imposed or damage assessment studies 28 conducted, and the revenues to and expenditures from the coastal 29 protection fund."

assessment activities is unavailable from other sources."

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1 "PART IX

2 MARINE SPILL RESPONSE COMMISSION"

- 3 "Sec. 901. RCW 88.44.010 and 1990 c 117 s 2 are each amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this
- 6 section apply throughout this chapter.
- 7 (1) "Administrator" means the administrator of the office of marine
- 8 <u>safety created by section 402 of this 1991 act.</u>
- 9 (2) "Business class" means a recognized trade segment of the
- 10 maritime industry.
- 11 $((\frac{2}{2}))$ (3) "Commission" means the Washington state $(\frac{maritime}{2})$
- 12 <u>marine spill response</u> commission.
- 13 (((3) "Director" means the director of the department of ecology or
- 14 their duly authorized representative.))
- 15 (4) "Fishing vessel" means a vessel ((that)) (a) on which persons
- 16 commercially engage((s)) in: (((a))) (i) Catching, taking, or
- 17 harvesting fish; $((\frac{b}{b}))$ (ii) preparing fish or fish products; or
- 18 (((c))) <u>(b) that</u> supplies, stores, refrigerates, or transports fish,
- 19 fish products, or materials directly related to fishing or the
- 20 preparation of fish.
- 21 (5) "Foreign vessel" means a vessel of foreign registry or operated
- 22 under the authority of a country, except the United States.
- 23 (6) "Oil" or "oils" means oil, including gasoline, crude oil, fuel
- 24 oil, diesel oil, lubricating oil, sludge, oil refuse, liquid natural
- 25 gas, propane, butane, oils distilled from coal, and other liquid
- 26 hydrocarbons regardless of specific gravity, or any other petroleum
- 27 related products.
- 28 (7) "Oceanographic research vessel" means a vessel that is employed
- 29 only in instruction in oceanography or limnology, or both, or only in

- 1 oceanographic or limnological research, including those studies about
- 2 the sea such as seismic, gravity meter, and magnetic exploration and
- 3 other marine geophysical or geological surveys, atmospheric research,
- 4 and biological research.
- 5 (8) "Protection and indemnity club" means a mutual insurance
- 6 organization formed by a group of shipowners or operators in order to
- 7 secure cover for various risks of vessel operation, including oil spill
- 8 costs, not covered by normal hull insurance.
- 9 (9) "Public vessel" means a vessel that is owned, or chartered and
- 10 operated by the United States government, by a state of the United
- 11 States, or a government of a foreign country and is not engaged in
- 12 commercial service.
- 13 (10) "State" means a state of the United States, Guam, Puerto Rico,
- 14 the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the District of Columbia, the
- 15 Northern Mariana Islands, and any other territory or possession of the
- 16 United States.
- 17 (11) "Steamship agent or agency" means an agent or agency appointed
- 18 by a vessel owner or operator to enter or clear vessels at ports within
- 19 the state of Washington and to conduct onshore activities, or contract
- 20 on behalf of the owner or operator for whatever is required for the
- 21 efficient operation of the vessel.
- 22 (12) "Steamship liner company" means a steamship company
- 23 maintaining a regular schedule of calls at designated ports of the
- 24 state of Washington.
- 25 (13) "Towboat" means a commercial vessel engaged in, or intending
- 26 to engage in, the service of pulling, pushing, or hauling along side,
- 27 or any combination of pulling, pushing, or hauling along side.
- 28 (14) "United States flag vessel" means a vessel documented under
- 29 the laws of the United States or registered under the laws of any state
- 30 of the United States.

- 1 (15) "Vessel" means every description of watercraft, other than a
- 2 seaplane on water, used or capable of being used as a means of
- 3 transportation on water, carrying oil as fuel or cargo, and over three
- 4 hundred gross registered tons, except oceanographic research vessels,
- 5 public vessels, vessels being employed exclusively for pleasure, or
- 6 vessels which, prior to entering Washington waters, have formerly
- 7 arranged with an officially recognized cleanup cooperative or with a
- 8 private cleanup contractor for immediate oil spill response.
- 9 (16) "Vessel owner or operator" means the legal owner of a vessel
- 10 and/or the charterer or other person in charge of the day-to-day
- 11 operation.
- 12 (17) "Waters of this state" or "waters of the state of Washington"
- 13 ((shall mean all navigable waters within the state of Washington as
- 14 defined in Article 24, section 1 of the state Constitution)) has the
- 15 meaning in RCW 90.48.315 as recodified by this 1991 act."
- 16 "Sec. 902. RCW 88.44.020 and 1990 c 117 s 3 are each amended to
- 17 read as follows:
- 18 There is created ((a)) the Washington ((state maritime)) marine
- 19 spill response commission to be known and designated and declared a
- 20 corporate body. The powers and duties of the commission shall include
- 21 the following:
- 22 (1) To ((elect a chairperson and such other officers as it deems
- 23 advisable; and to)) adopt, rescind, and amend rules and orders for the
- 24 exercise of its powers, which shall have the force and effect of the
- 25 law when not inconsistent with existing laws;
- 26 (2) To administer and enforce the provisions of this chapter, and
- 27 do all things reasonably necessary to effectuate the purposes of this
- 28 chapter;

- 1 (3) To employ, and at its pleasure discharge, a manager, secretary,
- 2 agents, attorneys, consultants, companies, organizations, and employees
- 3 as it deems necessary, and to prescribe their duties and powers and fix
- 4 their compensation;
- 5 (4) To establish offices, incur expenses, enter into contracts, and
- 6 create such liabilities as may be reasonable for the proper
- 7 administration and enforcement of this chapter;
- 8 (5) To assess vessels transiting the waters of this state, to
- 9 collect such assessments, investigate violations, and enforce the
- 10 provisions of this chapter, except for vessels which transit upon the
- 11 portion of the Columbia river that runs between the states of
- 12 Washington and Oregon;
- 13 (6) To keep accurate record of all of its dealings, which shall be
- 14 open to inspection and audit by the state auditor;
- 15 (7) To sue and be sued, adopt a corporate seal, and have all of the
- 16 powers of a corporation;
- 17 (8) To expend funds for commission-related education and training
- 18 programs as the commission deems appropriate;
- 19 (9) To borrow money and incur indebtedness;
- 20 (10) To establish an oil spill first response system, except for
- 21 vessels which transit upon the portion of the Columbia river that runs
- 22 between the states of Washington and Oregon. This system will provide
- 23 a mandatory emergency response communications network for vessels
- 24 involved in commerce in Washington waters, and provide an immediate
- 25 response to such vessels which, for whatever reason, discharge oil into
- 26 the state's waters. In the event of an oil spill or threatened oil
- 27 spill, the system must be able to provide a complete response for the
- 28 first twenty-four hours after the initial report, which may include,
- 29 but not be limited to, as needed, response vessel or vessels, boom
- 30 equipment, skimmers, qualified personnel, and wildlife care centers.

- 1 The commission may establish, by or before July 1, 1992, an oil
- 2 spill first response system for vessels which transit upon the portion
- 3 of the Columbia river that runs between the states of Washington and
- 4 Oregon;
- 5 (11) To enter into contracts with cleanup contractors to provide
- 6 spill response, or with other organizations or companies for
- 7 communication services;
- 8 (12) To recover oil spill first response system costs from a
- 9 responsible vessel owner or operator in the event of a spill or
- 10 threatened release;
- 11 (13) To hold response readiness drills with state and federal
- 12 agencies;
- 13 (14) To work with other states' and countries' maritime
- 14 organizations, cleanup cooperatives, and governmental response
- 15 agencies; ((and))
- 16 (15) To develop an oil spill contingency plan to comply with state
- 17 statutes and rules for those vessels covered by the commission, except
- 18 for vessels operating on the portion of the Columbia river that runs
- 19 between the states of Washington and Oregon. The commission shall
- 20 develop an oil spill contingency plan for vessels which transit upon
- 21 the portion of the Columbia river that runs between the states of
- 22 Washington and Oregon, not later than January 1, 1993; and
- 23 (16) To report annually to the governor, the office of marine
- 24 safety, and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature on
- 25 the commission's work and the number of incidents to which the
- 26 commission's first response system has responded, and make
- 27 recommendations to improve the safety of maritime transportation."
- 28 "Sec. 903. RCW 88.44.030 and 1990 c 117 s 4 are each amended to
- 29 read as follows:

1 The commission shall be comprised of nine voting members. ((Six)) 2 Seven persons((, each representing a)) shall be appointed by the 3 governor to represent specific business classes ((, shall be elected to 4 membership in the commission and one person shall be appointed by the commission members)). Two of the members shall represent steamship 5 6 liner companies, one American flag and one foreign flag. One member shall represent towboat companies. One member shall represent fishing 7 vessels. One member shall represent steamship agencies serving tramp 8 9 vessels. One member shall represent protection and indemnity clubs or 10 other marine brokers or insurers of oil spill cleanup costs for vessels operating in Washington waters. One member shall represent steamship 11 agencies serving tramp vessels on the Columbia river. 12 The governor shall also appoint one member with maritime, marine labor, or marine 13 14 spill cleanup experience and one member from the environmental community with marine experience ((shall be appointed from the public 15 16 by the governor)). In addition, the ((director, the United States 17 coast guard captain of the port for Puget Sound, the United States 18 coast guard captain of the port for that portion of the Columbia river 19 that runs between Washington and Oregon,)) administrator and a state 20 pilot licensed under chapter 88.16 RCW((τ)) who pilots in the waters of the state of Washington, or their designees, will serve as nonvoting 21 ((ex officio)) members. The United States coast guard captain of the 22 port for Puget Sound and the United States coast guard captain of the 23 port for that portion of the Columbia river that runs between 24 Washington and Oregon shall be invited to attend meetings of the 25 26 The state-licensed pilot shall be selected by the commission. Washington state board of pilotage commissioners. 27 28 Members of the commission must have had a minimum of five years'

Members of the commission must have had a minimum of five years'
experience in their business class and be actively employed by or on
behalf of a company within the business class for whom they shall

- 1 represent. However, the protection and indemnity or insurance member
- 2 may be a designee of the international group of protection and
- 3 indemnity clubs, or any such marine insurers engaged in business within
- 4 the state.
- 5 The commission shall meet at least ((quarterly every)) twice each
- 6 year."
- 7 "Sec. 904. RCW 88.44.040 and 1990 c 117 s 5 are each amended to
- 8 read as follows:
- 9 ((The regular term of office of the members of the commission shall
- 10 be three years from July 1 following their election and until their
- 11 successors are elected and qualified. The commission shall hold its
- 12 annual meeting during the month of October each year for the purpose of
- 13 electing officers and the transaction of other business and shall hold
- 14 such other meetings during the year as it shall determine.
- 15 Commission members shall be first nominated and elected in 1990 in
- 16 the manner set forth in RCW 88.44.050 and shall take office as soon as
- 17 they are qualified. However, expiration of the term of the respective
- 18 commission members first elected in 1990 shall be as follows:
- 19 (1) Foreign flag liner and fishing vessel members on July 1, 1991;
- 20 (2) Protection and indemnity club or marine member, and public
- 21 member on July 1, 1992; and
- 22 (3) All other members on July 1, 1993.)) The governor shall
- 23 appoint members of the commission for three-year terms. The governor
- 24 shall appoint the chairperson. The members of the commission elected
- 25 before the effective date of this section shall continue as members
- 26 until their terms would have expired under section 5, chapter 117, Laws
- 27 <u>of 1990.</u>
- 28 The respective terms shall end on June 30 of each third year
- 29 thereafter. Any vacancies that occur on the commission shall be filled

- 1 by ((appointment of an eligible person by the other members of the
- 2 commission, and such appointee shall hold office for the remainder of
- 3 the term for which they are appointed to fill, so that commission
- 4 memberships shall be on a uniform staggered basis)) the governor to
- 5 serve out the remainder of the unexpired term. The members of the
- 6 commission are subject to the public disclosure act, chapter 42.17
- 7 RCW."
- 8 "Sec. 905. RCW 88.44.080 and 1990 c 117 s 9 are each amended to
- 9 read as follows:
- 10 A majority of the voting members of the commission shall constitute
- 11 a quorum for the transaction of all business and the carrying out of
- 12 the duties of the commission.
- 13 Each member of the commission shall be compensated in accordance
- 14 with RCW 43.03.240 and shall be reimbursed for actual travel expenses
- 15 incurred in carrying out the provisions of this chapter. Employees of
- 16 the commission may also be reimbursed for actual travel expenses when
- 17 out-of-state on official commission business. Compensation and
- 18 reimbursement shall be from commission funds only.
- 19 ((Resignations of commission members will be filled by a majority
- 20 of the remaining commission members. The appointed commission members
- 21 shall serve out the remaining term. If a commission member leaves the
- 22 employment of their respective business class for more than one hundred
- 23 twenty days, the commission member must resign from that position. A
- 24 commission member may be removed from the commission for just cause by
- 25 a two-thirds majority vote of commission members.))"
- 26 "Sec. 906. RCW 88.44.110 and 1990 c 117 s 12 are each amended to
- 27 read as follows:

- If it appears from investigation by the commission that the revenue 1 2 from the assessment levied on vessels under this chapter is inadequate 3 to accomplish the purposes of this chapter, the commission by rule 4 shall ((adopt a resolution setting forth the necessities of the 5 industry, the extent and probable cost of the required research, spill 6 cleanup procedures and operations, public and industry education, administrative operations, the extent of public convenience, interest, 7 and necessity, and probable revenue from the assessment levied. After 8 9 the proper regulatory hearings, the commission may)) increase the 10 assessment to a sum determined by the commission to be necessary for those purposes. The rule adopting the increase shall be filed with the 11 administrator. An increase ((becomes effective)) shall not take effect 12 earlier than ninety days after the ((resolution)) rule is adopted ((or 13 14 on any other date provided for in the resolution)) and filed with the 15 administrator, unless the administrator determines that the increase is 16 not justified."
- 17 "Sec. 907. RCW 88.44.160 and 1990 c 117 s 17 are each amended to 18 read as follows:
- 19 Rules and orders adopted by the commission shall be filed with the 20 ((director)) administrator and shall become effective pursuant to the 21 provisions of the administrative procedure act."
- 22 "PART X
- 23 PILOTAGE"
- 24 "Sec. 1001. RCW 88.16.010 and 1987 c 485 s 1 are each amended to 25 read as follows:
- 26 (1) The board of pilotage commissioners of the state of Washington 27 is hereby created and shall consist of the assistant secretary of

marine transportation of the department of transportation of the state 1 2 of Washington, or the assistant secretary's designee who shall be an employee of the marine division, who shall be chairperson, the 3 4 administrator of the office of marine safety, or the administrator's designee, and six members appointed by the governor and confirmed by 5 6 Each of ((said)) the appointed commissioners shall be appointed for a term of four years from the date of ((said)) the 7 member's commission. No person shall be eligible for appointment to 8 ((said)) the board unless that person is at the time of appointment 9 10 eighteen years of age or over and a citizen of the United States and of the state of Washington. Two of ((said)) the appointed commissioners 11 12 shall be pilots licensed under this chapter and actively engaged in piloting upon the waters covered by this chapter for at least three 13 14 years immediately preceding the time of appointment and while serving 15 on the board. One pilot shall be from the Puget Sound pilotage district and one shall be from the Grays Harbor pilotage district. Two 16 17 of ((said)) the appointed commissioners shall be actively engaged in 18 the ownership, operation, or management of deep sea cargo and/or 19 passenger carrying vessels for at least three years immediately 20 preceding the time of appointment and while serving on the board. One of said shipping commissioners shall be a representative of American 21 and one of foreign shipping. At least one of the commissioners shall 22 23 <u>be a representative from a recognized environmental organization</u> 24 <u>concerned with marine waters.</u> The remaining commissioner((s)) shall be 25 ((persons)) interested in and concerned with pilotage, maritime safety, 26 and marine affairs, with broad experience related to the maritime 27 industry exclusive of experience as either a state licensed pilot or as a shipping representative. 28

- 1 (2) Any vacancy in an appointed position on the board shall be
- 2 filled by the governor for the remainder of the unfilled term, subject
- 3 to confirmation by the senate.
- 4 (3) Four members of the board shall constitute a quorum. At least
- 5 one pilot, one shipping representative, and one public member must be
- 6 present at every meeting. All commissioners and the chairperson shall
- 7 have a vote."
- 8 "Sec. 1002. RCW 88.16.090 and 1990 c 116 s 27 and 1990 c 112 s 1
- 9 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 10 (1) A person may pilot any vessel subject to the provisions of this
- 11 chapter on waters covered by this chapter only if appointed and
- 12 licensed to pilot such vessels on said waters under and pursuant to the
- 13 provisions of this chapter.
- 14 (2) A person is eligible to be appointed a pilot if the person is
- 15 a citizen of the United States, over the age of twenty-five years and
- 16 under the age of seventy years, a resident of the state of Washington
- 17 at the time of appointment and only if the pilot applicant holds as a
- 18 minimum, a United States government license as a master of ocean or
- 19 near coastal steam or motor vessels of not more than one thousand six
- 20 hundred gross tons or as a master of inland steam or motor vessels of
- 21 not more than one thousand six hundred gross tons, such license to have
- 22 been held by the applicant for a period of at least two years prior
- 23 such license to have been held by the applicant for a period of at
- 24 least two years prior to taking the Washington state pilotage
- 25 examination and a first class United States endorsement without
- 26 restrictions on that license to pilot in the pilotage districts for
- 27 which the pilot applicant desires to be licensed, and if the pilot
- 28 applicant meets such other qualifications as may be required by the
- 29 board. A person applying for a license under this section shall not

- 1 have been convicted of an offense involving drugs or the personal
- 2 consumption of alcohol in the twelve months prior to the date of
- 3 application. This restriction does not apply to license renewals under
- 4 this section.
- 5 (3) Pilots shall be licensed hereunder for a term of five years
- 6 from and after the date of the issuance of their respective state
- 7 licenses. Such licenses shall thereafter be renewed as of course,
- 8 unless the board shall withhold same for good cause. Each pilot shall
- 9 pay to the state treasurer an annual license fee established by the
- 10 board of pilotage commissioners pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW, but not
- 11 to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars, to be placed in the state
- 12 treasury to the credit of the pilotage account. The board may assess
- 13 partially active or inactive pilots a reduced fee.
- 14 (4) Pilot applicants shall be required to pass a written and oral
- 15 examination administered and graded by the board which shall test such
- 16 applicants on this chapter, the rules of the board, local harbor
- 17 ordinances, and such other matters as may be required to compliment the
- 18 United States examinations and qualifications. The board shall
- 19 ((conduct the examination on a regular date, as prescribed by rule, at
- 20 least once every two years)) hold examinations at such times as will,
- 21 in the judgment of the board, ensure the maintenance of an efficient
- 22 and competent pilotage service. An examination shall be scheduled for
- 23 the Puget Sound pilotage district if there are three or fewer
- 24 <u>successful candidates from the previous examination who are waiting to</u>
- 25 become pilots in that district.
- 26 (5) The board shall ((have developed five examinations and grading
- 27 sheets for the Puget Sound pilotage district, and two for each other))
- 28 develop an examination and grading sheet for each pilotage district,
- 29 for the testing and grading of pilot applicants. The examinations
- 30 shall be administered to pilot applicants ((on a random basis)) and

shall be updated as required to reflect changes in law, rules, 1 policies, or procedures. The board may appoint a special independent 2 3 examination committee or may contract with a firm knowledgeable and 4 experienced in the development of professional tests for development of said examinations. Active licensed state pilots may be consulted for 5 6 the general development of examinations but shall have no knowledge of the specific questions. The pilot members of the board may participate 7 in the grading of examinations. If the board does appoint a special 8 9 examination development committee it is authorized to pay the members 10 of said committee the same compensation and travel expenses as received by members of the board. When grading examinations the board shall 11 12 carefully follow the grading sheet prepared for that examination. 13 board shall develop a "sample examination" which would tend to indicate 14 to an applicant the general types of questions on pilot examinations, but such sample questions shall not appear on any actual examinations. 15 Any person who willfully gives advance knowledge of information 16 17 contained on a pilot examination is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

18 (6) All pilots and applicants are subject to an annual physical 19 examination by a physician chosen by the board. The physician shall 20 examine the applicant's heart, blood pressure, circulatory system, lungs and respiratory system, eyesight, hearing, and such other items 21 as may be prescribed by the board. After consultation with a physician 22 and the United States coast guard, the board shall establish minimum 23 24 health standards to ensure that pilots licensed by the state are able 25 to perform their duties. Within ninety days of the date of each annual physical examination, and after review of the physician's report, the 26 board shall make a determination of whether the pilot or candidate is 27 fully able to carry out the duties of a pilot under this chapter. The 28 29 board may in its discretion check with the appropriate authority for

- 1 any convictions of offenses involving drugs or the personal consumption
- 2 of alcohol in the prior twelve months.
- 3 (7) The board shall prescribe, pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW, a
- 4 number of familiarization trips, between a minimum number of twenty-
- 5 five and a maximum of one hundred, which pilot applicants must make in
- 6 the pilotage district for which they desire to be licensed.
- 7 Familiarization trips any particular applicant must make are to be
- 8 based upon the applicant's vessel handling experience.
- 9 (8) The board may ((prescribe)) require vessel simulator training
- 10 for a pilot applicant((, or)) and shall require vessel simulator
- 11 training for a pilot subject to RCW 88.16.105((, as it deems
- 12 appropriate, taking into consideration the economic cost of such
- 13 training, to enhance that person's ability to perform pilotage duties
- 14 under this chapter)). The board shall also require vessel simulator
- 15 training in the first year of active duty for a new pilot and at least
- 16 once every five years for all active pilots.
- 17 (9) The board shall prescribe, pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW, such
- 18 reporting requirements and review procedures as may be necessary to
- 19 assure the accuracy and validity of license and service claims, and
- 20 records of familiarization trips of pilot candidates. Willful
- 21 misrepresentation of such required information by a pilot candidate
- 22 shall result in disqualification of the candidate.
- 23 (10) The board shall adopt rules to establish time periods and
- 24 procedures for additional training trips and retesting as necessary for
- 25 pilots who at the time of their licensing are unable to become active
- 26 pilots."
- 27 "Sec. 1003. RCW 88.16.105 and 1987 c 264 s 3 are each amended to
- 28 read as follows:

- The board shall prescribe, pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW, rules governing the size and type of vessels which a newly licensed pilot may
- 3 be assigned to pilot on the waters of this state and whether the
- 4 assignment involves docking or undocking a vessel. The rules shall
- 5 also prescribe required familiarization trips before a newly licensed
- 6 pilot may pilot a larger or different type of vessel. Such rules shall
- 7 be for the first ((three)) five-year period in which pilots are
- 8 actually employed."
- 9 "Sec. 1004. RCW 88.16.110 and 1935 c 18 s 7 are each amended to
- 10 read as follows:
- 11 (1) Every pilot licensed under this chapter shall file with the
- 12 board not later than the tenth day of January, April, July and October
- 13 of each year a report for the preceding quarter. Said report shall
- 14 contain an account of all moneys received for pilotage by him or her or
- 15 by any other person for ((him)) the pilot or on ((his)) the pilot's
- 16 account or for his or her benefit. Said report shall state the name of
- 17 each vessel piloted, the amount charged to and/or collected from each
- 18 vessel, the port of registry of such vessel, its dead weight tonnage,
- 19 whether it was inward or outward bound, whether the amount so received,
- 20 collected or charged is in full payment of pilotage and such other
- 21 information as the board shall by regulation prescribe.
- 22 (2) The report shall include information for each vessel that
- 23 suffers a grounding, collision, or other major marine casualty that
- 24 occurred while the pilot was on duty during the reporting period. The
- 25 report shall also include information on near miss incidents as defined
- 26 <u>in section 421 of this 1991 act.</u> <u>Information concerning near miss</u>
- 27 <u>incidents provided pursuant to this section shall not be used for</u>
- 28 imposing any sanctions or penalties. The board shall forward
- 29 <u>information provided under this subsection to the office of marine</u>

- 1 safety for inclusion in the collision reporting system established
- 2 under section 421 of this 1991 act."
- 3 "Sec. 1005. RCW 88.16.155 and 1977 ex.s. c 337 s 11 are each
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 (1) The master of any vessel which employs a Washington licensed
- 6 pilot shall certify on a form prescribed by the board of pilotage
- 7 commissioners that the vessel complies with:
- 8 (a) Such provisions of the United States coast guard regulations
- 9 governing the safety and navigation of vessels in United States waters,
- 10 as codified in Title 33 of the code of federal regulations, as the
- 11 board may prescribe; ((and))
- 12 (b) The provisions of current international agreements governing
- 13 the safety, radio equipment, and pollution of vessels and other matters
- 14 as ratified by the United States Senate and prescribed by the board:
- 15 (c) The federal oil pollution act of 1990; and
- 16 (d) If applicable, the certification provided for in section 416(4)
- 17 of this 1991 act.
- 18 (2) The master of any vessel which employs a Washington licensed
- 19 pilot shall be prepared to produce, and any Washington licensed pilot
- 20 employed by a vessel shall request to see, certificates of the vessel
- 21 which certify and indicate that the vessel complies with subsection (1)
- 22 of this section and the rules of the board ((promulgated)) adopted
- 23 pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.
- 24 (3) If the master of a vessel which employs a Washington licensed
- 25 pilot cannot certify that the vessel complies with subsection (1) of
- 26 this section and the rules of the board adopted pursuant to subsection
- 27 (1) of this section, the master shall certify that:

- 1 (a) The vessel will comply with subsection (1) of this section
- 2 before the time the vessel is scheduled to leave the waters of
- 3 Washington state; and
- 4 (b) The coast guard captain of the port was notified of the
- 5 noncomplying items when they were determined; and
- 6 (c) The coast guard captain of the port has authorized the vessel
- 7 to proceed under such conditions as prescribed by the coast guard
- 8 pursuant to its authority under federal statutes and regulations.
- 9 (4) After the board has prescribed the form required under
- 10 subsection (1) of this section, no Washington licensed pilot shall
- 11 offer pilotage services to any vessel on which the master has failed to
- 12 make a certification required by this section. If the master fails to
- 13 make a certification the pilot shall:
- 14 (a) Disembark from the vessel as soon as practicable; and
- 15 (b) Immediately inform the port captain of the conditions and
- 16 circumstances by the best possible means; and
- 17 (c) Forward a written report to the board no later than twenty-four
- 18 hours after disembarking from the vessel.
- 19 (5) Any Washington licensed pilot who offers pilotage services to
- 20 a vessel on which the master has failed to make a certification
- 21 required by this section or the rules of the board adopted under this
- 22 section shall be subject to RCW 88.16.150, as now or hereafter amended,
- 23 and RCW 88.16.100, as now or hereafter amended.
- 24 (6) The board shall revise the requirements enumerated in this
- 25 section as necessary to reflect changes in coast guard regulations,
- 26 federal statutes, and international agreements. All actions of the
- 27 board under this section shall comply with chapters 34.05 and 42.30
- 28 RCW. The board shall prescribe the time of and method for retention of
- 29 forms which have been signed by the master of a vessel in accordance
- 30 with the provisions of this section.

- 1 (7) This section shall not apply to the movement of dead ships.
- 2 The board shall prescribe pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW, after
- 3 consultation with the coast guard and interested persons, for the
- 4 movement of dead ships and the certification process thereon."
- 5 "PART XI
- 6 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS"
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1101. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES LEASES.
- 8 After the effective date of this section, the department of natural
- 9 resources shall include in its leases for onshore and offshore
- 10 facilities the following provisions:
- 11 (1) Require those wishing to lease, sublease, or re-lease state-
- 12 owned aquatic lands to comply with the provisions of this chapter;
- 13 (2) Require lessees and sublessees to operate according to the plan
- 14 of operations and to keep the plan current in compliance with this
- 15 chapter; and
- 16 (3) Include in its leases provisions that a violation by the lessee
- 17 or sublessee of the provisions of this chapter may be grounds for
- 18 termination of the lease."
- 19 "Sec. 1102. RCW 90.48.037 and 1987 c 109 s 125 are each amended to
- 20 read as follows:
- 21 The department, with the assistance of the attorney general, is
- 22 authorized to bring any appropriate action at law or in equity,
- 23 including action for injunctive relief, in the name of the people of
- 24 the state of Washington as may be necessary to carry out the provisions
- 25 of this chapter or chapter 90.56 RCW."

- 1 "Sec. 1103. RCW 90.48.095 and 1987 c 109 s 128 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
- In carrying out the purposes of this chapter <u>or chapter 90.56 RCW</u>

 the department shall, in conjunction with either the ((promulgation))
- 5 <u>adoption</u> of rules ((and regulations)), consideration of an application
- 6 for a waste discharge permit or the termination or modification of such
- 7 permit, or proceedings in ((contested cases)) adjudicative hearings,
- 8 have the authority to issue process and subpoena witnesses effective
- 9 throughout the state on its own behalf or that of an interested party,
- 10 compel their attendance, administer oaths, take the testimony of any
- 11 person under oath and, in connection therewith require the production
- 12 for examination of any books or papers relating to the matter under
- 13 consideration by the department. In case of disobedience on the part
- 14 of any person to comply with any subpoena issued by the department, or
- 15 on the refusal of any witness to testify to any matters regarding which
- 16 he may be lawfully interrogated, it shall be the duty of the superior
- 17 court of any county, or of the judge thereof, on application of the
- 18 department, to compel obedience by proceedings for contempt, as in the
- 19 case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena issued from such
- 20 court or a refusal to testify therein. In connection with the
- 21 authority granted under this section no witness or other person shall
- 22 be required to divulge trade secrets or secret processes. Persons
- 23 responding to a subpoena as provided herein shall be entitled to fees
- 24 as are witnesses in superior court."
- 25 "Sec. 1104. RCW 90.48.100 and 1987 c 109 s 129 are each amended to
- 26 read as follows:
- 27 The department shall have the right to request and receive the
- 28 assistance of any educational institution or state agency when it is

- 1 deemed necessary by the department to carry out the provisions of this
- 2 chapter or chapter 90.56 RCW."
- 3 "Sec. 1105. RCW 90.48.156 and 1987 c 109 s 134 are each amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 The department is authorized to cooperate with appropriate agencies
- 6 of neighboring states and neighboring provinces, to enter into
- 7 contracts, and make contributions toward interstate and state-
- 8 provincial projects to carry out the purposes of this chapter and
- 9 <u>chapter 90.56 RCW</u>."
- 10 "Sec. 1106. RCW 90.48.240 and 1987 c 109 s 15 are each amended to
- 11 read as follows:
- 12 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter or chapter
- 13 90.56 RCW, whenever it appears to the director that water quality
- 14 conditions exist which require immediate action to protect the public
- 15 health or welfare, or that a person required by RCW 90.48.160 to obtain
- 16 a waste discharge permit prior to discharge is discharging without the
- 17 same, or that a person conducting an operation which is subject to a
- 18 permit issued pursuant to RCW 90.48.160 conducts the same in violation
- 19 of the terms of said permit, causing water quality conditions to exist
- 20 which require immediate action to protect the public health or welfare,
- 21 the director may issue a written order to the person or persons
- 22 responsible without prior notice or hearing, directing and affording
- 23 the person or persons responsible the alternative of either (1)
- 24 immediately discontinuing or modifying the discharge into the waters of
- 25 the state, or (2) appearing before the department at the time and place
- 26 specified in said written order for the purpose of providing to the
- 27 department information pertaining to the violations and conditions
- 28 alleged in said written order. The responsible person or persons shall

- 1 be afforded not less than twenty-four hours notice of such an
- 2 information meeting. If following such a meeting the department
- 3 determines that water quality conditions exist which require immediate
- 4 action as described herein, the department may issue a written order
- 5 requiring immediate discontinuance or modification of the discharge
- 6 into the waters of the state. In the event an order is not immediately
- 7 complied with the attorney general, upon request of the department,
- 8 shall seek and obtain an order of the superior court of the county in
- 9 which the violation took place directing compliance with the order of
- 10 the department. Such an order is appealable pursuant to RCW
- 11 43.21B.310."
- 12 "Sec. 1107. RCW 90.48.907 and 1971 ex.s. c 180 s 10 are each
- 13 amended to read as follows:
- 14 ((RCW 90.48.315 through 90.48.365 and this 1971 amendatory act))
- 15 This chapter, being necessary for the general welfare, the public
- 16 health, and the public safety of the state and its inhabitants, shall
- 17 be liberally construed to effect their purposes. No rule, regulation,
- 18 or order of the department shall be stayed pending appeal under ((the
- 19 provisions of RCW 90.48.315 through 90.48.365 and this 1971 amendatory
- 20 act)) this chapter."
- 21 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1108. The department of ecology, the office of
- 22 marine safety, and the marine oversight board shall study issues
- 23 related to the transportation and storage of bulk hazardous substances
- 24 on or near the navigable waters of the state. The study shall develop
- 25 information on the types, hazards, and quantity of bulk hazardous
- 26 substances shipped on or stored near the navigable waters, the types of
- 27 vessels used to transport the substances, the types of facilities at
- 28 which the substances are transferred or stored, the methods for

- 1 responding to spills of the substances. The study shall also examine
- 2 existing regulation of the transporters and facilities, including an
- 3 examination of requirements for prevention and response planning. The
- 4 study shall incorporate any recommendations for changes in state laws
- 5 which the department, office, and board determine are necessary to
- 6 protect the navigable waters of the state. An interim report shall be
- 7 completed not later than December 1, 1991, and the final study shall be
- 8 completed and a report made to the appropriate standing committees of
- 9 the legislature not later than November 1, 1992."
- 10 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1109. The department of ecology shall report
- 11 to the appropriate standing committees on the effectiveness of chapter
- 12 90.56 RCW, and in particular as to how the chapter has been implemented
- 13 to complement federal law. A report shall be submitted not later than
- 14 December 1, 1992, and a second report not later than December 1, 1994."
- 15 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1110. TIMING FOR STATE MASTER PREVENTION AND
- 16 CONTINGENCY PLANS. The state-wide master plan required by section 10,
- 17 chapter 116, Laws of 1990 to be completed by July 1, 1991, shall be
- 18 completed by July 1, 1991. The additional requirements to the state-
- 19 wide master plan concerning prevention plans, and an incident command
- 20 system shall be added to the first annual update submitted to the
- 21 legislature not later than November 1, 1992."
- 22 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1111. TIMING OF CONTINGENCY PLAN RULES. The
- 23 rules required by RCW 90.48.371 as recodified by this act for
- 24 facilities and, except as otherwise provided in this section for
- 25 covered vessels, shall be adopted not later than July 1, 1991. The
- 26 department shall exclude from the rules to be adopted by July 1, 1991,
- 27 standards for tank vessels of less than twenty thousand deadweight

- 1 tons, cargo vessels, and passenger vessels operating on the portion of
- 2 the Columbia river for which the department determines that Washington
- 3 and Oregon should cooperate in the adoption of standards for
- 4 contingency plans. The department, after consultation with the
- 5 appropriate state agencies in Oregon, shall adopt the rules for
- 6 standards for contingency plans for this portion of the Columbia river
- 7 at the earliest possible time, but not later than July 1, 1992."
- 8 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1112. CAPTIONS NOT LAW. Section headings and
- 9 part headings as used in this chapter shall constitute no part of the
- 10 law."
- 11 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1113. Sections 101, 103, 108 through 110, 201,
- 12 203, 204, 501, 805, and 1111 of this act are each added to a new
- 13 chapter in Title 90 RCW to be codified as provided for in section 1114
- 14 of this act."
- 15 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1114. CODIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS. (1) Parts
- 16 I through III and V, and sections 805 and 1111 of this act shall
- 17 constitute a new chapter in Title 90 RCW to be codified as chapter
- 18 90.56 RCW, and shall be codified and recodified as provided for in this
- 19 section. The code reviser shall correct all statutory references to
- 20 these sections to reflect this recodification.
- 21 The following sections shall be codified and recodified in the
- 22 following order:
- 23 Section 101 of this act
- 24 RCW 90.48.315
- 25 Section 103 of this act
- 26 RCW 90.48.370
- 27 RCW 90.48.365

- 1 RCW 90.48.380
- 2 RCW 90.48.378
- 3 Section 108 of this act
- 4 Section 109 of this act
- 5 Section 110 of this act
- 6 RCW 90.48.387
- 7 RCW 90.48.388
- 8 Section 201 of this act
- 9 RCW 90.48.371
- 10 Section 203 of this act
- 11 Section 204 of this act
- 12 RCW 90.48.372
- 13 RCW 90.48.373
- 14 RCW 90.48.374
- 15 RCW 90.48.375
- 16 RCW 90.48.360
- 17 RCW 90.48.376
- 18 RCW 90.48.377
- 19 RCW 90.48.320
- 20 RCW 90.48.350
- 21 RCW 90.48.325
- 22 RCW 90.48.330
- 23 RCW 90.48.335
- 24 RCW 90.48.336
- 25 RCW 90.48.338
- 26 RCW 90.48.383
- 27 RCW 90.48.340
- 28 RCW 90.48.355
- 29 RCW 90.48.343
- 30 Section 501 of this act

- 1 RCW 90.48.907
- 2 Section 1201 of this act
- 3 Section 1212 of this act.
- 4 (2) Sections 801 through 805, 807, and 808 of this act shall
- 5 constitute a new chapter in Title 82 RCW.
- 6 (3) Sections 402 through 404 and 406 of this act shall constitute
- 7 a new chapter in Title 43 RCW.
- 8 (4)(a) Sections 413 through 424 of this act shall constitute a new
- 9 chapter in Title 88 RCW.
- 10 (b) RCW 90.48.385 and 90.48.510 are recodified as sections in the
- 11 new chapter created in (a) of this subsection.
- 12 (5) Sections 604 through 608 of this act are each added to chapter
- 13 88.16 RCW. "
- 14 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1115. REPEALER. The following acts or parts
- 15 of acts are each repealed:
- 16 (1) RCW 90.48.345 and 1987 c 109 s 150 & 1969 ex.s. c 133 s 6;
- 17 (2) RCW 90.48.381 and 1990 c 116 s 15;
- 18 (3) RCW 90.48.410 and 1971 ex.s. c 180 s 6;
- 19 (4) RCW 88.40.010 and 1990 c 116 s 30 & 1989 1st ex.s. c 2 s 2;
- 20 (5) RCW 88.40.050 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 2 s 6;
- 21 (6) RCW 90.48.910 and 1967 c 13 s 25;
- 22 (7) RCW 88.44.040 and 1990 c 117 s 5;
- 23 (8) RCW 88.44.050 and 1990 c 117 s 6;
- 24 (9) RCW 88.44.060 and 1990 c 117 s 7; and
- 25 (10) RCW 88.44.070 and 1990 c 117 s 8."
- 26 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1116. If any provision of this act or its
- 27 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the

- 1 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 2 persons or circumstances is not affected."
- 3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1117. This act is necessary for the immediate
- 4 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 5 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
- 6 effect immediately."

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- 10 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "substances;" strike the
- 11 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 90.48.315, 90.48.370,
- 12 90.48.365, 90.48.380, 90.48.378, 90.48.371, 90.48.373, 90.48.375,
- 13 90.48.376, 90.48.377, 90.48.350, 90.48.325, 90.48.383, 90.48.340,
- 14 90.48.385, 90.48.510, 88.16.170, 88.16.180, 88.16.200, 88.40.005,
- 15 88.40.020, 88.40.030, 88.40.040, 90.48.142, 90.48.366, 90.48.367,
- 16 90.48.368, 90.48.400, 90.48.369, 88.44.010, 88.44.020, 88.44.030,
- 17 88.44.040, 88.44.080, 88.44.110, 88.44.160, 88.16.010, 88.16.105,
- 18 88.16.110, 88.16.155, 90.48.037, 90.48.095, 90.48.100, 90.48.156,
- 19 90.48.240, and 90.48.907; amending 1990 c 116 s 1 (uncodified);
- 20 reenacting and amending RCW 90.48.390 and 88.16.090; adding a new
- 21 section to chapter 90.48 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 88.16 RCW;
- 22 adding a new chapter to Title 90 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 82
- 23 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; adding a new chapter to
- 24 Title 88 RCW; creating new sections; recodifying RCW 90.48.315,
- 25 90.48.370, 90.48.365, 90.48.380, 90.48.378, 90.48.387, 90.48.388,
- 26 90.48.371, 90.48.372, 90.48.373, 90.48.374, 90.48.375, 90.48.360,
- 27 90.48.376, 90.48.377, 90.48.320, 90.48.350, 90.48.325, 90.48.330,
- 28 90.48.335, 90.48.336, 90.48.338, 90.48.383, 90.48.340, 90.48.355,

- 1 90.48.343, 90.48.907, 90.48.385, and 90.48.510; repealing RCW
- 2 90.48.345, 90.48.381, 90.48.410, 88.40.010, 88.40.050, 90.48.910,
- 3 84.44.040, 88.44.050, 88.44.060, and 88.44.070; prescribing penalties;
- 4 making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency."