

1 **HB 1868** - H AMD **180 FAILED 3-15-91**
2 By Representative Fuhrman

3 On page 1 strike everything after the enacting clause and
4 insert:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature recognizes the unique
6 needs of the citizens of the state who live and are employed around
7 Puget Sound, the businesses who must cross Puget Sound as part of
8 conducting business, and the tourists who visit the area. The
9 legislature also recognizes the part played by the Washington state
10 ferry system in meeting these needs. The governor, as head of the
11 executive branch, should have direct control over the Washington
12 state ferry system. The legislature therefore finds and declares
13 that a separate agency in state government should be created to
14 service those requirements.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The department of marine transportation
16 is created. All powers and duties regarding marine transportation
17 currently held by the department of transportation are transferred
18 to the department of marine transportation. The governor has
19 direct control over the department of marine transportation.