

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5079

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SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Modifying conditions for the digging of razor clams for persons who have physical disability permits.

SPONSORS: Senators Owen, Snyder, Hargrove and Erwin.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES & WILDLIFE

BACKGROUND:

Physically disabled persons may have another person dig razor clams for them if they have a physical disability permit issued by the Department of Fisheries. The department requires disabled persons to be present at the digging site when another person digs razor clams for them.

Some physically disabled persons are not able to be at the digging site and desire to have someone harvest clams for them while they are on the upper beach area.

SUMMARY:

Physically disabled persons are not required to be at the digging site when another person is digging razor clams for them. The disabled person is required to be within the direct line of sight of the razor clam digger, unless an obstruction that would prevent the line of sight exists. In this case, the disabled person would have to be within 1/4 mile of the person digging the clams.

VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate	44	1	
House	91	0	(House amended)
Senate	39	0	(Senate concurred)

EFFECTIVE: July 25, 1993