

ANALYSIS OF HB 2012

House Agriculture & Ecology Committee
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| Prohibiting the passage of certain oil tankers inside of certain United States waters. |
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BACKGROUND:

Oil tankers greater than 125,000 deadweight tons are prohibited from proceeding in state waters east of a line extending between Discovery Island (Canada) and New Dungeness (Sequim).

Oil tankers which weigh between 40,000 and 125,000 deadweight tons may proceed beyond the line if the tankers possess: a specified horsepower ratio; twin screws; a double bottom; two radar systems, one of which is a collision avoidance radar; and other prescribed navigational position location systems. These tankers may also proceed if they are in ballast– or under the escort of a tug or tugs possessing an adequate horsepower ratio.

SUMMARY:

The line at which oil tankers greater than 125,000 deadweight tons are prohibited from entering into state waters is moved westward to a line extending between Bonilla Point on Vancouver Island and Tatoosh Island.