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Brief Description: Creating county-operated passenger-only ferry operation districts.

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Provides that any county of the state may organize a passenger-only ferry operation district.

Declares that the passenger-only ferry district shall have the following powers and duties: (1) The passenger-only ferry district shall operate passenger-only ferries serving the residents of the district. The district shall contract with a nonprofit corporation to operate the passenger-only ferry service authorized by this act.

Provides that the department shall lease passenger-only ferries to a passenger-only ferry district for a nominal amount. The lease shall grant the passenger-only ferry operation district reasonable access to the department's docks and terminal facilities as necessary to facilitate the provision of regularly scheduled passenger-only ferry service to the residents of the district.