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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Mielke, Rockefeller and Jackley)

Brief Description: Adjusting procedures for ferry maintenance and preservation.

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Revises procedures for ferry maintenance and preservation. Provides that the department is authorized to negotiate contracts for any amount without bid under (1) and (2) of this provision: (1) Emergency contracts; and

(2) Single source contracts for vessel dry dockings, when there is clearly and legitimately only one available bidder to conduct dry dock-related work for a specific class or classes of vessels. The contracts may be entered into for a single vessel dry docking or for multiple vessel dry dockings for a period not to exceed two years.

Provides that, when issuing a request for proposal for the procurement of propulsion equipment or systems that include an engine, the request for proposal must specify the use of a life cycle cost analysis that includes an evaluation of fuel efficiency.

Declares that, if the department is procuring large equipment or systems (e.g., electrical, propulsion) needed for the support, maintenance, and use of a ferry operated by Washington state ferries, the department shall proceed with a formal request for proposal solicitation under this act without a determination of necessity by the secretary.