

HOUSE BILL REPORT

SB 5989

As Passed House:

April 9, 2003

Title: An act relating to pilot members of the board of pilotage commissioners.

Brief Description: Representing pilots on the board of pilotage commissioners.

Sponsors: By Senators Haugen, Horn and Jacobsen.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Transportation: 3/27/03, 3/28/03 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 4/9/03, 96-0.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows one pilot representative to be from the Grays Harbor pilotage district or the Puget Sound pilotage district.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 26 members: Representatives Murray, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Simpson, Vice Chair; Ericksen, Ranking Minority Member; Jarrett, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Anderson, Armstrong, Bailey, Campbell, Clibborn, Cooper, Dickerson, Flannigan, Hankins, Hatfield, Hudgins, Kristiansen, Lovick, Morris, Nixon, Romero, Shabro, Sullivan, Wallace, Wood and Woods.

Staff: Melissa Beard (786-7347).

Background:

Currently, the Board of Pilotage Commissioners (Board) consists of nine members. These members include the Assistant Secretary of Marine Transportation of the Department of Transportation, the Director of the Department of Ecology, and seven members appointed by the Governor. Two of these appointed members must be active pilots. One pilot is to be from the Puget Sound District and the second pilot is to be from the Grays Harbor District.

Summary of Bill:

This bill will allow the second pilot to be from the Grays Harbor or Puget Sound District.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: The Grays Harbor pilotage district only has one pilot and in the near future, may not have a qualified pilot to serve on the Board. This bill helps maintain the balance of representation on the Board.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Bill Bock, Puget Sound Pilots.