

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6269

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning the relocation of harbor lines.

Sponsors: Senators Hale, Doumit, Hewitt and Brandland.

Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Energy & Water
House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources

Background: The harbors in front of cities are reserved under Washington's Constitution and under state law for navigation and commerce. The preserved areas are called "harbor areas" and were the state's first type of zoning. Facilities in harbor areas are limited to certain uses which foster navigation and commerce. The Legislature has discretion to establish which harbor lines the Harbor Line Commission can change or alter. The harbor lines that can be changed are controlled by the Harbor Line Commission, which is the Board of Natural Resources. Hearings and public meetings are required when a change is made in the harbor line.

Summary: The harbor lines for Blaine, Edmonds, Ilwaco, Kennewick and Pasco are added to the list that the Harbor Line Commission can adjust.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	47	0
House	95	0

Effective: June 10, 2004