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By Senators Haugen, Horn and Jacobsen

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1 AN ACT Relating to pilot members of the board of pilotage
2 commissioners; and amending RCW 88.16.010.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 88.16.010 and 2001 c 36 s 4 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) The board of pilotage commissioners of the state of Washington
7 is hereby created and shall consist of the assistant secretary of
8 marine transportation of the department of transportation of the state
9 of Washington, or the assistant secretary's designee who shall be an
10 employee of the marine division, who shall be chairperson, the director
11 of the department of ecology, or the director's designee, and seven
12 members appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate. Each of
13 the appointed commissioners shall be appointed for a term of four years
14 from the date of the member's commission. No person shall be eligible
15 for appointment to the board unless that person is at the time of
16 appointment eighteen years of age or over and a citizen of the United
17 States and of the state of Washington. Two of the appointed
18 commissioners shall be pilots licensed under this chapter and actively
19 engaged in piloting upon the waters covered by this chapter for at

1 least three years immediately preceding the time of appointment and
2 while serving on the board. One pilot shall be from the Puget Sound
3 pilotage district and (~~one~~) the other pilot shall be from either the
4 Grays Harbor pilotage district or the Puget Sound pilotage district.
5 Two of the appointed commissioners shall be actively engaged in the
6 ownership, operation, or management of deep sea cargo and/or passenger
7 carrying vessels for at least three years immediately preceding the
8 time of appointment and while serving on the board. One of (~~said~~)
9 the shipping commissioners shall be a representative of American and
10 one of foreign shipping. One of the commissioners shall be a
11 representative from a recognized environmental organization concerned
12 with marine waters. The remaining commissioners shall be persons
13 interested in and concerned with pilotage, maritime safety, and marine
14 affairs, with broad experience related to the maritime industry
15 exclusive of experience as either a state licensed pilot or as a
16 shipping representative.

17 (2) Any vacancy in an appointed position on the board shall be
18 filled by the governor for the remainder of the unfilled term, subject
19 to confirmation by the senate.

20 (3) Five members of the board shall constitute a quorum. At least
21 one pilot, one shipping representative, and one public member must be
22 present at every meeting. All commissioners and the chairperson shall
23 have a vote.

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