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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Fisheries, Ecology & Parks (originally sponsored by Representatives Cooper, Rockefeller, Kagi, Sullivan, Chase, G. Simpson, D. Simpson, Lantz, Dickerson, Lovick and Upthegrove)

Brief Description: Reducing the risk of oil spills and spill damage.

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(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/04)

Finds that the primary objective of the state is to adopt a zero spills strategy to prevent any oil or hazardous substances from entering waters of the state.

Directs the department to adopt rules as necessary to carry out the provisions of this section by June 30, 2006. The rules shall include standards for the circumstances under which equipment should be deployed including standards containment requiring deployment of containment equipment prior to the transfer of oil when determined to be safe and effective by the department. The department may require a person or facility to employ alternative measures including but not limited to automatic shutoff devices and alarms, extra personnel to monitor the transfer, or containment equipment that is deployed quickly and effectively.

Requires the establishment of a process for immediately notifying affected tribes of any oil spill.