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

**HB 3020 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Provides that the owner or operator of a tank vessel may not contract or agree to transfer oil to or from an onshore or offshore facility, or a vessel with a capacity over two hundred fifty barrels in Washington waters unless: (1) A person in charge of the operation who meets the qualifications required by 33 C.F.R. Sec. 155.710, as amended, conducts and oversees the operation on the barge; and

(2) At least one other person who meets the qualifications of a tankerman-assistant under 46 C.F.R. part 13, as amended, is on board to maintain an oil spill watch during the transfer.

Requires any person or facility conducting ship refueling and bunkering operations, or the lightering of petroleum products, and any person or facility transferring oil between an onshore or offshore facility and a covered vessel to deploy a boom prior to a transfer of oil to a vessel with an oil capacity over two hundred fifty barrels that provides a completely contained area around the vessel that meets standards adopted by the department by rule.