

## **SB 6068 - DIGEST**

Finds that the state's more than two million acres of state-owned aquatic lands are a valuable treasure belonging to all the citizens of the state, and support important recreational, navigational, commercial, industrial, residential, fisheries harvest, and other uses that benefit the entire state.

Finds that there are specific limited areas of these lands that possess unique or significant characteristics making them most valuable for maintaining their relatively undeveloped condition and continuing to support important natural ecosystem functions.

Declares it is therefore the purpose of this chapter to establish a system of reserves of state-owned aquatic lands and a means whereby the long-term conservation of these lands can be accomplished.