

SB 6176 - DIGEST

Declares that the purpose of the state geological survey is to map and study the geology of the state of Washington for the benefit of the citizens of the state. The map and study must: (1) Conduct basic mapping of the geologic units and structure by delineating their geographic locations, ages, history, and orientations;

(2) Identify geologic hazards and risks, including those from landslides, volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunamis, and floods;

(3) Document, regulate, and maintain records on the state's geological resources;

(4) Promote general knowledge and awareness of the state's geology for educational and recreational purposes.

Declares that the position of state geologist within the department is created and shall be appointed by the commissioner of public lands.

Repeals RCW 43.30.600, 43.92.020, 43.92.040, 43.92.060, and 43.92.070.