

SB 5553 - DIGEST

Declares that the intent of this act is to enact those recommendations of the oil spill advisory council that require legislative action so that Washington is in the best possible position to prevent and respond to oil spills in all of Washington's waters, including the Columbia river, the Pacific Ocean, the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and the Puget Sound.

Declares that fully enacting the recommendations of the oil spill advisory council requires the identification of revenue to support the state's oil spill programs, which includes consistent and continued funding for a contingency tug program, a permanent rescue tug at Neah Bay, the activities of the permanent oil spill advisory council, and contributions to the ongoing efforts to remove leaking derelict vessels from Washington's treasured and valued waterways.

Repeals RCW 82.23B.040.