

SB 5663-S.E - DIGEST

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/08/13)

Modifies derelict and abandoned vessels provisions relating to the sale or transfer of the vessels.

Authorizes the department of natural resources to develop and administer a voluntary vessel turn-in program.

Requires the departments of enterprise services, natural resources, fish and wildlife, transportation, and ecology, the parks and recreation commission, institutions of higher education, local governments, and port districts, before transferring ownership of a vessel, to conduct a thorough review of the physical condition of the vessel, the vessel's operating capability, and any containers and other materials that are not fixed to the vessel.

Requires the department of natural resources to reevaluate certain criteria regarding the prioritization of vessel removals funded by the derelict vessel removal account.