

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HJM 4011

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As Reported by Senate Committee On:  
State Government, March 29, 2017

**Brief Description:** Requesting that the United States Coast Guard name a Coast Guard cutter in honor of Petty Officer Matthew E. Schlimme.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Blake, Chapman, Lovick, J. Walsh, Kilduff, Tharinger and Muri.

**Brief History:** Passed House: 3/06/17, 98-0.

**Committee Activity:** State Government: 3/17/17, 3/29/17 [DP].

### Brief Summary of Joint Memorial

- Requests that the United States Coast Guard name a Coast Guard cutter in honor of Petty Officer Schlimme.

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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Miloscia, Chair; Zeiger, Vice Chair; Hunt, Ranking Minority Member; Kuderer and Pearson.

**Staff:** Samuel Brown (786-7470)

**Background:** Matthew E. Schlimme served as a Machinery Technician Third Class in the United States Coast Guard from 1993 until his death in 1997. He was stationed in New Jersey, Iowa, and La Push, Washington. He died on February 12, 1997, while participating in a rescue operation near the mouth of the Quillayute River. Petty Officer Schlimme was awarded the Coast Guard Medal posthumously.

**Summary of Joint Memorial:** The Legislature requests that the United States Coast Guard name a Coast Guard cutter in honor of Petty Officer Schlimme.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

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**Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members:** No.

**Staff Summary of Public Testimony:** PRO: The federal government is considering building new cutters, and Petty Officer Schlimme meets the qualifications for having one named after him. We hope Coast Guard leadership considers this request.

**Persons Testifying:** PRO: Representative Brian Blake, Prime Sponsor.

**Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying:** No one.