

SHB 2322 - H AMD 1692

By Representative Paul

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1 On page 81, line 20, after "lapses." insert the following: "The
2 commencement of construction of new vessels for the ferry system is
3 important not only for safety reasons, but also to keep skilled marine
4 construction jobs in the Puget Sound region and to sustain the
5 capacity of the region to meet the ongoing construction and
6 preservation needs of the ferry system fleet of vessels. The
7 legislature has determined that the current vessel procurement process
8 must move forward with all due speed, balancing the interests of both
9 the taxpayers and shipyards. To accomplish construction of vessels in
10 accordance with RCW 46.70.810, the legislature directs the department
11 to require the prevailing shipbuilder to follow the historical
12 practice of subcontracting the construction of ferry superstructures
13 to a separate non-affiliated contractor located within the Puget Sound
14 Region, that is qualified in accordance with RCW 47.60.690. The
15 prevailing shipbuilder shall negotiate a fair-value contract with the
16 superstructure subcontractor or subcontractors. The negotiation of
17 the scope of work for the superstructure subcontract shall include, at
18 a minimum, the scope of work of superstructure construction
19 historically performed by subcontractors on ferry superstructures.
20 All negotiations must be completed within forty-five days of the
21 department's approval of the final technical proposal. The prevailing
22 shipbuilder must submit to the department evidence of good faith
23 efforts, as judged by the department, to meet the superstructure
24 subcontracting requirement set forth herein before proceeding with
25 construction of the vessel."

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EFFECT: Washington State Ferries must require the prevailing shipbuilder to follow the historical practice of subcontracting the construction of ferry vessel superstructures to a separate non-affiliate contractor located within the Puget Sound region.

FISCAL IMPACT: No net change to appropriated levels.

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