

**RCW 88.02.380 Penalties—Disposition of moneys collected—Enforcement authority.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, and, in part, in order to prevent the future potential dereliction or abandonment of a vessel, a violation of this chapter and the rules adopted by the department is a class 2 civil infraction.

(2) A civil infraction issued under this chapter must be processed under chapter 7.80 RCW.

(3) After the subtraction of court costs and administrative collection fees, moneys collected under this section must be credited to the ticketing jurisdiction and used only for the support of the enforcement agency, department, division, or program that issued the violation.

(4) All law enforcement officers may enforce this chapter and the rules adopted by the department within their respective jurisdictions. A city, town, or county may contract with a fire protection district for enforcement of this chapter, and fire protection districts may engage in enforcement activities.

(5) In order to prevent the future potential dereliction or abandonment of a vessel, derelict vessel removal program staff of the department of natural resources have authority to issue tickets by mail for the purpose of enforcing vessel registration requirements. [2020 c 324 s 5; 2013 c 291 s 29; 2010 c 161 s 1006; 2006 c 29 s 3; 1993 c 244 s 4; 1987 c 149 s 13; 1984 c 183 s 2; 1983 2nd ex.s. c 3 s 50; 1983 c 7 s 22. Formerly RCW 88.02.110.]

**Findings—2020 c 324:** See note following RCW 79.100.160.

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