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3 By Committee on Transportation Policy & Budget

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
6 following:

7 "Sec. 1. RCW 88.02.030 and 1997 c 83 s 1 are each amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 Vessel registration is required under this chapter except for the  
10 following:

11 (1) Military or public vessels of the United States, except  
12 recreational-type public vessels;

13 (2) Vessels owned by a state or subdivision thereof, used  
14 principally for governmental purposes and clearly identifiable as such;

15 (3) Vessels either (a) registered or numbered under the laws of a  
16 country other than the United States; or (b) having a valid United  
17 States customs service cruising license issued pursuant to 19 C.F.R.  
18 Sec. 4.94. On or before the sixty-first day of use in the state, any  
19 vessel in the state under this subsection shall obtain an  
20 identification document from the department of licensing, its agents,  
21 or subagents indicating when the vessel first came into the state. At  
22 the time of any issuance of an identification document, a twenty-five  
23 dollar identification document fee shall be paid by the vessel owner to  
24 the department of licensing for the cost of providing the  
25 identification document by the department of licensing. Any moneys  
26 remaining from the fee after payment of costs shall be allocated to  
27 counties by the state treasurer for approved boating safety programs  
28 under RCW 88.02.045. The department of licensing shall adopt rules to  
29 implement its duties under this subsection, including issuing and  
30 displaying the identification document and collecting the twenty-five  
31 dollar fee;

32 (4) Vessels that have been issued a valid number under federal law  
33 or by an approved issuing authority of the state of principal  
34 operation. However, a vessel that is validly registered in another  
35 state but that is removed to this state for principal use is subject to  
36 registration under this chapter. The issuing authority for this state

1 shall recognize the validity of the numbers previously issued for a  
2 period of sixty days after arrival in this state;

3 (5) Vessels owned by a nonresident if the vessel is located upon  
4 the waters of this state exclusively for repairs, alteration, or  
5 reconstruction, or any testing related to the repair, alteration, or  
6 reconstruction conducted in this state if an employee of the repair,  
7 alteration, or construction facility is on board the vessel during any  
8 testing: PROVIDED, That any vessel owned by a nonresident is located  
9 upon the waters of this state exclusively for repairs, alteration,  
10 reconstruction, or testing for a period longer than sixty days, that  
11 the nonresident shall file an affidavit with the department of revenue  
12 verifying the vessel is located upon the waters of this state for  
13 repair, alteration, reconstruction, or testing and shall continue to  
14 file such affidavit every sixty days thereafter, while the vessel is  
15 located upon the waters of this state exclusively for repairs,  
16 alteration, reconstruction, or testing;

17 (6) Vessels equipped with propulsion machinery of less than ten  
18 horsepower that:

19 (a) Are owned by the owner of a vessel for which a valid vessel  
20 number has been issued;

21 (b) Display the number of that numbered vessel followed by the  
22 suffix "1" in the manner prescribed by the department; and

23 (c) Are used as a tender for direct transportation between that  
24 vessel and the shore and for no other purpose;

25 (7) Vessels under sixteen feet in overall length which have no  
26 propulsion machinery of any type or which are not used on waters  
27 subject to the jurisdiction of the United States or on the high seas  
28 beyond the territorial seas for vessels owned in the United States and  
29 are powered by propulsion machinery of ten or less horsepower;

30 (8) Vessels with no propulsion machinery of any type for which the  
31 primary mode of propulsion is human power;

32 (9) Vessels primarily engaged in commerce which have or are  
33 required to have a valid marine document as a vessel of the United  
34 States. Commercial vessels which the department of revenue determines  
35 have the external appearance of vessels which would otherwise be  
36 required to register under this chapter, must display decals issued  
37 annually by the department of revenue that indicate the vessel's exempt  
38 status;

1 (10) Vessels primarily engaged in commerce which are owned by a  
2 resident of a country other than the United States; and

3 (11) On and after January 1, 1998, vessels owned by a nonresident  
4 individual brought into the state for his or her use or enjoyment while  
5 temporarily within the state for not more than six months in any  
6 continuous twelve-month period, unless the vessel is used in conducting  
7 a nontransitory business activity within the state. However, the  
8 vessel must (~~(a) be registered or numbered under the laws of a country~~  
9 ~~other than the United States, (b) have a valid United States customs~~  
10 ~~service cruising license issued under 19 C.F.R. Sec. 4.94, or (c))~~)  
11 have been issued a valid number under federal law or by an approved  
12 issuing authority of the state of principal operation. On or before  
13 the sixty-first day of use in the state, any vessel temporarily in the  
14 state under this subsection shall obtain an identification document  
15 from the department of licensing, its agents, or subagents indicating  
16 when the vessel first came into the state. An identification document  
17 shall be valid for a period of two months. At the time of any issuance  
18 of an identification document, a twenty-five dollar identification  
19 document fee shall be paid by the vessel owner to the department of  
20 licensing for the cost of providing the identification document by the  
21 department of licensing. Any moneys remaining from the fee after  
22 payment of costs shall be allocated to counties by the state treasurer  
23 for approved boating safety programs under RCW 88.02.045. The  
24 department of licensing shall adopt rules to implement its duties under  
25 this subsection, including issuing and displaying the identification  
26 document and collecting the twenty-five dollar fee.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
28 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
29 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect  
30 immediately."

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