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SENATE BILL 5121

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By Senators Regala, Morton, Oke, Eide, Fraser and Jacobsen

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to correcting references to the former office
- 2 of marine safety; and amending RCW 42.17.2401, 43.21B.300,
- 3 43.21B.310, 88.16.010, and 88.16.110.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.17.2401 and 1996 c 186 s 504 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
- 7 For the purposes of RCW 42.17.240, the term "executive state
- 8 officer" includes:
- 9 (1) The chief administrative law judge, the director of
- 10 agriculture, ((the administrator of the office of marine safety,))
- 11 the administrator of the Washington basic health plan, the
- 12 director of the department of services for the blind, the director
- 13 of the state system of community and technical colleges, the
- 14 director of community, trade, and economic development, the
- 15 secretary of corrections, the director of ecology, the
- 16 commissioner of employment security, the chairman of the energy
- 17 facility site evaluation council, the secretary of the state
- 18 finance committee, the director of financial management, the

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- 1 director of fish and wildlife, the executive secretary of the
- 2 forest practices appeals board, the director of the gambling
- 3 commission, the director of general administration, the secretary
- 4 of health, the administrator of the Washington state health care
- 5 authority, the executive secretary of the health care facilities
- 6 authority, the executive secretary of the higher education
- 7 facilities authority, the executive secretary of the horse racing
- 8 commission, the executive secretary of the human rights
- 9 commission, the executive secretary of the indeterminate sentence
- 10 review board, the director of the department of information
- 11 services, the director of the interagency committee for outdoor
- 12 recreation, the executive director of the state investment board,
- 13 the director of labor and industries, the director of licensing,
- 14 the director of the lottery commission, the director of the office
- 15 of minority and women's business enterprises, the director of
- 16 parks and recreation, the director of personnel, the executive
- 17 director of the public disclosure commission, the director of
- 18 retirement systems, the director of revenue, the secretary of
- 19 social and health services, the chief of the Washington state
- 20 patrol, the executive secretary of the board of tax appeals, the
- 21 secretary of transportation, the secretary of the utilities and
- 22 transportation commission, the director of veterans affairs, the
- 23 president of each of the regional and state universities and the
- 24 president of The Evergreen State College, each district and each
- 25 campus president of each state community college;
- 26 (2) Each professional staff member of the office of the 27 governor;
- 28 (3) Each professional staff member of the legislature; and
- 29 (4) Central Washington University board of trustees, board of
- 30 trustees of each community college, each member of the state board
- 31 for community and technical colleges, state convention and trade
- 32 center board of directors, committee for deferred compensation,
- 33 Eastern Washington University board of trustees, Washington
- 34 economic development finance authority, The Evergreen State
- 35 College board of trustees, executive ethics board, forest
- 36 practices appeals board, forest practices board, gambling
- 37 commission, Washington health care facilities authority, each
- 38 member of the Washington health services commission, higher

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- 1 education coordinating board, higher education facilities
- 2 authority, horse racing commission, state housing finance
- 3 commission, human rights commission, indeterminate sentence review
- 4 board, board of industrial insurance appeals, information services
- 5 board, interagency committee for outdoor recreation, state
- 6 investment board, commission on judicial conduct, legislative
- 7 ethics board, liquor control board, lottery commission, marine
- 8 oversight board, Pacific Northwest electric power and conservation
- 9 planning council, parks and recreation commission, personnel
- 10 appeals board, board of pilotage commissioners, pollution control
- 11 hearings board, public disclosure commission, public pension
- 12 commission, shorelines hearing board, public employees' benefits
- 13 board, board of tax appeals, transportation commission, University
- 14 of Washington board of regents, utilities and transportation
- 15 commission, Washington state maritime commission, Washington
- 16 personnel resources board, Washington public power supply system
- 17 executive board, Washington State University board of regents,
- 18 Western Washington University board of trustees, and fish and
- 19 wildlife commission.
- 20 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.21B.300 and 1993 c 387 s 23 are each amended to 21 read as follows:
- 22 (1) Any civil penalty provided in RCW 18.104.155, 70.94.431,
- 23 70.105.080, 70.107.050, 88.46.090, 90.03.600, 90.48.144,
- 24 90.56.310, and 90.56.330 shall be imposed by a notice in writing,
- 25 either by certified mail with return receipt requested or by
- 26 personal service, to the person incurring the penalty from the
- 27 department((, the administrator of the office of marine safety,))
- 28 or the local air authority, describing the violation with
- 29 reasonable particularity. Within fifteen days after the notice is
- 30 received, the person incurring the penalty may apply in writing to
- 31 the department((, the administrator,)) or the authority for the
- 32 remission or mitigation of the penalty. Upon receipt of the
- 33 application, the department((, the administrator,)) or authority
- 34 may remit or mitigate the penalty upon whatever terms the
- 35 department((, the administrator,)) or the authority in its
- 36 discretion deems proper. The department or the authority may
- 37 ascertain the facts regarding all such applications in such

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- 1 reasonable manner and under such rules as it may deem proper and
- 2 shall remit or mitigate the penalty only upon a demonstration of
- 3 extraordinary circumstances such as the presence of information or
- 4 factors not considered in setting the original penalty.
- 5 (2) Any penalty imposed under this section may be appealed to
- 6 the pollution control hearings board in accordance with this
- 7 chapter if the appeal is filed with the hearings board and served
- 8 on the department((, the administrator,)) or authority thirty days
- 9 after receipt by the person penalized of the notice imposing the
- 10 penalty or thirty days after receipt of the notice of disposition
- 11 of the application for relief from penalty.
- 12 (3) A penalty shall become due and payable on the later of:
- 13 (a) Thirty days after receipt of the notice imposing the
- 14 penalty;
- 15 (b) Thirty days after receipt of the notice of disposition on
- 16 application for relief from penalty, if such an application is
- 17 made; or
- 18 (c) Thirty days after receipt of the notice of decision of the
- 19 hearings board if the penalty is appealed.
- 20 (4) If the amount of any penalty is not paid to the department
- 21 ((or the administrator)) within thirty days after it becomes due
- 22 and payable, the attorney general, upon request of the department
- 23 ((or the administrator)), shall bring an action in the name of the
- 24 state of Washington in the superior court of Thurston county, or
- 25 of any county in which the violator does business, to recover the
- 26 penalty. If the amount of the penalty is not paid to the authority
- 27 within thirty days after it becomes due and payable, the authority
- 28 may bring an action to recover the penalty in the superior court
- 29 of the county of the authority's main office or of any county in
- 30 which the violator does business. In these actions, the procedures
- 31 and rules of evidence shall be the same as in an ordinary civil
- 32 action.
- 33 (5) All penalties recovered shall be paid into the state
- 34 treasury and credited to the general fund except those penalties
- 35 imposed pursuant to RCW 18.104.155, which shall be credited to the
- 36 reclamation account as provided in RCW 18.104.155(7), RCW
- 37 70.94.431, the disposition of which shall be governed by that
- 38 provision, RCW 70.105.080, which shall be credited to the

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- 1 hazardous waste control and elimination account, created by RCW
- 2 70.105.180, and RCW 90.56.330, which shall be credited to the
- 3 coastal protection fund created by RCW 90.48.390.
- 4 Sec. 3. RCW 43.21B.310 and 1992 c 73 s 3 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) Any order issued by the department((, the administrator of the office of marine safety,)) or local air authority pursuant to
- 8 RCW 70.94.211, 70.94.332, 70.105.095, 43.27A.190, 86.16.020,
- 9 88.46.070, or 90.48.120(2) or any provision enacted after July 26,
- 10 1987, or any permit, certificate, or license issued by the
- 11 department may be appealed to the pollution control hearings board
- 12 if the appeal is filed with the board and served on the department
- 13 or authority within thirty days after receipt of the order. Except
- 14 as provided under chapter 70.105D RCW, this is the exclusive means
- 15 of appeal of such an order.
- 16 (2) The department((, the administrator,)) or the authority in
- 17 its discretion may stay the effectiveness of an order during the
- 18 pendency of such an appeal.
- 19 (3) At any time during the pendency of an appeal of such an
- 20 order to the board, the appellant may apply pursuant to RCW
- 21 43.21B.320 to the hearings board for a stay of the order or for
- 22 the removal thereof.
- 23 (4) Any appeal must contain the following in accordance with
- 24 the rules of the hearings board:
- 25 (a) The appellant's name and address;
- 26 (b) The date and docket number of the order, permit, or license
- 27 appealed;
- 28 (c) A description of the substance of the order, permit, or
- 29 license that is the subject of the appeal;
- 30 (d) A clear, separate, and concise statement of every error
- 31 alleged to have been committed;
- 32 (e) A clear and concise statement of facts upon which the
- 33 requester relies to sustain his or her statements of error; and
- 34 (f) A statement setting forth the relief sought.
- 35 (5) Upon failure to comply with any final order of the
- 36 department ((or the administrator)), the attorney general, on
- 37 request of the department ((or the administrator)), may bring an

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- action in the superior court of the county where the violation
- 2 occurred or the potential violation is about to occur to obtain
- 3 such relief as necessary, including injunctive relief, to insure
- 4 compliance with the order. The air authorities may bring similar
- 5 actions to enforce their orders.
- 6 (6) An appealable decision or order shall be identified as such
- 7 and shall contain a conspicuous notice to the recipient that it
- 8 may be appealed only by filing an appeal with the hearings board
- 9 and serving it on the department within thirty days of receipt.
- 10 **Sec. 4.** RCW 88.16.010 and 1991 c 200 s 1001 are each amended to
- 11 read as follows:
- 12 (1) The board of pilotage commissioners of the state of
- 13 Washington is hereby created and shall consist of the assistant
- 14 secretary of marine transportation of the department of
- 15 transportation of the state of Washington, or the assistant
- 16 secretary's designee who shall be an employee of the marine
- 17 division, who shall be chairperson, the ((administrator of the
- 18 office of marine safety, or the administrator's)) director of the
- 19 <u>department of ecology, or the director's</u> designee, and seven
- 20 members appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate. Each
- 21 of the appointed commissioners shall be appointed for a term of
- 22 four years from the date of the member's commission. No person
- 23 shall be eligible for appointment to the board unless that person
- 24 is at the time of appointment eighteen years of age or over and a
- 25 citizen of the United States and of the state of Washington. Two of
- 26 the appointed commissioners shall be pilots licensed under this
- 27 chapter and actively engaged in piloting upon the waters covered
- 28 by this chapter for at least three years immediately preceding the
- 29 time of appointment and while serving on the board. One pilot shall
- 30 be from the Puget Sound pilotage district and one shall be from
- 31 the Grays Harbor pilotage district. Two of the appointed
- 32 commissioners shall be actively engaged in the ownership,
- 33 operation, or management of deep sea cargo and/or passenger
- 34 carrying vessels for at least three years immediately preceding
- 35 the time of appointment and while serving on the board. One of
- 36 said shipping commissioners shall be a representative of American
- 37 and one of foreign shipping. One of the commissioners shall be a

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- 1 representative from a recognized environmental organization
- 2 concerned with marine waters. The remaining commissioners shall be
- 3 persons interested in and concerned with pilotage, maritime
- 4 safety, and marine affairs, with broad experience related to the
- 5 maritime industry exclusive of experience as either a state
- 6 licensed pilot or as a shipping representative.
- 7 (2) Any vacancy in an appointed position on the board shall be
- 8 filled by the governor for the remainder of the unfilled term,
- 9 subject to confirmation by the senate.
- 10 (3) Five members of the board shall constitute a quorum. At
- 11 least one pilot, one shipping representative, and one public
- 12 member must be present at every meeting. All commissioners and the
- 13 chairperson shall have a vote.
- 14 Sec. 5. RCW 88.16.110 and 1991 c 200 s 1004 are each amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 (1) Every pilot licensed under this chapter shall file with the
- 17 board not later than the tenth day of January, April, July and
- 18 October of each year a report for the preceding quarter. Said
- 19 report shall contain an account of all moneys received for
- 20 pilotage by him or her or by any other person for the pilot or on
- 21 the pilot's account or for his or her benefit. Said report shall
- 22 state the name of each vessel piloted, the amount charged to
- 23 and/or collected from each vessel, the port of registry of such
- 24 vessel, its dead weight tonnage, whether it was inward or outward
- 25 bound, whether the amount so received, collected or charged is in
- 26 full payment of pilotage and such other information as the board
- 27 shall by regulation prescribe.
- 28 (2) The report shall include information for each vessel that
- 29 suffers a grounding, collision, or other major marine casualty
- 30 that occurred while the pilot was on duty during the reporting
- 31 period. The report shall also include information on near miss
- 32 incidents as defined in RCW 88.46.100. Information concerning near
- 33 miss incidents provided pursuant to this section shall not be used
- 34 for imposing any sanctions or penalties. The board shall forward
- 35 information provided under this subsection to the ((office of
- 36 marine safety)) department of ecology for inclusion in the
- 37 collision reporting system established under RCW 88.46.100.

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