

SHB 3209 - H AMD 1510

By Representative Ericksen

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

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4 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 47.60
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) By July 1, 2011, the department must transfer all management
7 aspects of the Washington state ferries system, including vessels,
8 terminals, docks, and facilities other than Eagle Harbor, to a private
9 vendor, according to the following requirements:

10 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of collective bargaining
11 agreements and laws and rules governing vendor agreements, the private
12 management firm must be allowed to negotiate food and vendor
13 contracts;

14 (b) Within one year after the transfer of management to a private
15 firm, and upon consultation with the legislature, the management firm
16 must provide a strategy for employee collective bargaining and labor
17 procedures; and

18 (c) The new management firm must allow private passenger-only
19 ferry operators approved by the utilities and transportation
20 commission access to docks and terminals where feasible.

21 (2) The department must contract for the design, construction and
22 maintenance of new vessels using a design-build-maintain procedure.

23 (3) By July 1, 2011, the department must sell to the highest
24 bidder the Eagle Harbor maintenance facility. Following the sale, all
25 maintenance and preservation work must be performed by privately-owned
26 shipyards."

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1 Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) to transfer to a private vendor all aspects of management of the Washington State Ferries system, excluding Eagle Harbor. In addition, the private vendor is allowed to negotiate food and vendor contracts outside of collective bargaining agreements or other laws governing vendor agreements and the management firm must allow private passenger-only ferry operators approved by the Utilities and Transportation Commission access to docks and terminals where feasible. Within one year of the transfer of management to a private firm, the firm is required to provide a strategy for employee collective bargaining and labor procedures, in consultation with the Legislature. The DOT is required to use a design-build-maintain procurement procedure when contracting for new vessels. The DOT is required to sell the Eagle Harbor maintenance facility to the highest bidder. Following the sale, all maintenance and preservation work must be conducted by privately-owned shipyards.

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