

SSB 6095 - H COMM AMD
By Committee on Transportation

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

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 88.16.035 and 2008 c 128 s 2 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) The board of pilotage commissioners shall:

6 (a) Adopt rules, pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW, necessary for the
7 enforcement and administration of this chapter;

8 (b)(i) Issue training licenses and pilot licenses to pilot
9 applicants meeting the qualifications provided for in RCW 88.16.090 and
10 such additional qualifications as may be determined by the board;

11 (ii) Establish a comprehensive training program to assist in the
12 training and evaluation of pilot applicants before final licensing; and

13 (iii) Establish additional training requirements, including a
14 program of continuing education developed after consultation with pilot
15 organizations, including those located within the state of Washington,
16 as required to maintain a competent pilotage service;

17 (c) Maintain a register of pilots, records of pilot accidents, and
18 other history pertinent to pilotage;

19 (d) Determine from time to time the number of pilots necessary to
20 be licensed in each district of the state to optimize the operation of
21 a safe, fully regulated, efficient, and competent pilotage service in
22 each district;

23 (e) Annually fix the pilotage tariffs for pilotage services
24 (~~(performed aboard vessels as required by)~~) provided under this
25 chapter: PROVIDED, That the board may fix extra compensation for extra
26 services to vessels in distress, for awaiting vessels, for all vessels
27 in direct transit to or from a Canadian port where Puget Sound pilotage
28 is required for a portion of the voyage, or for being carried to sea on
29 vessels against the will of the pilot, and for such other services as
30 may be determined by the board: PROVIDED FURTHER, That as an element

1 of the Puget Sound pilotage district tariff, the board may consider
2 pilot retirement plan expenses incurred in the prior year in either
3 pilotage district. However, under no circumstances shall the state be
4 obligated to fund or pay for any portion of retirement payments for
5 pilots or retired pilots;

6 (f) File annually with the governor and the chairs of the
7 transportation committees of the senate and house of representatives a
8 report which includes, but is not limited to, the following: The
9 number, names, ages, pilot license number, training license number, and
10 years of service as a Washington licensed pilot of any person licensed
11 by the board as a Washington state pilot or trainee; the names,
12 employment, and other information of the members of the board; the
13 total number of pilotage assignments by pilotage district, including
14 information concerning the various types and sizes of vessels and the
15 total annual tonnage; the annual earnings or stipends of individual
16 pilots and trainees before and after deduction for expenses of pilot
17 organizations, including extra compensation as a separate category; the
18 annual expenses of private pilot associations, including personnel
19 employed and capital expenditures; the status of pilotage tariffs,
20 extra compensation, and travel; the retirement contributions paid to
21 pilots and the disposition thereof; the number of groundings, marine
22 occurrences, or other incidents which are reported to or investigated
23 by the board, and which are determined to be accidents, as defined by
24 the board, including the vessel name, location of incident, pilot's or
25 trainee's name, and disposition of the case together with information
26 received before the board acted from all persons concerned, including
27 the United States coast guard; the names, qualifications, time
28 scheduled for examinations, and the district of persons desiring to
29 apply for Washington state pilotage licenses; summaries of dispatch
30 records, quarterly reports from pilots, and the bylaws and operating
31 rules of pilotage organizations; the names, sizes in deadweight tons,
32 surcharges, if any, port of call, name of the pilot or trainee, and
33 names and horsepower of tug boats for any and all oil tankers subject
34 to the provisions of RCW 88.16.190 together with the names of any and
35 all vessels for which the United States coast guard requires special
36 handling pursuant to their authority under the Ports and Waterways
37 Safety Act of 1972; the expenses of the board; and any and all other
38 information which the board deems appropriate to include;

1 (g) Make available information that includes the pilotage act and
2 other statutes of Washington state and the federal government that
3 affect pilotage, including the rules of the board, together with such
4 additional information as may be informative for pilots, agents,
5 owners, operators, and masters;

6 (h) Appoint advisory committees and employ marine experts as
7 necessary to carry out its duties under this chapter;

8 (i) Provide for the maintenance of efficient and competent pilotage
9 service on all waters covered by this chapter; and do such other things
10 as are reasonable, necessary, and expedient to insure proper and safe
11 pilotage upon the waters covered by this chapter and facilitate the
12 efficient administration of this chapter.

13 (2) The board may pay stipends to pilot trainees under subsection
14 (1)(b) of this section."

15 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Allows the Board of Pilotage Commissioners to consider
pilot retirement plan expenses incurred in the prior year in either the
Grays Harbor or Puget Sound pilotage district when setting the pilotage
tariff in the Puget Sound pilotage district.

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