

SB 5213-S2 - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the ocean policy advisory council in the executive office of the governor.

Requires the ocean policy advisory council to adopt the final report of the Washington state ocean policy work group entitled "Washington's Ocean Action Plan: Enhancing Management of Washington State's Ocean and Outer Coasts" and to work with state and local governments to implement the priority recommendations appropriate for immediate action.

Requires the council to review the funding of state programs relating to ocean management, policy coordination, research, and public education and to identify current funding levels and projected funding needs to implement recommendations of the 2006 ocean policy work group report.

Requires the council to review the state and local policies included in the state's approved coastal zone program, and other state and local policies not included in the program, which if included would further the purposes of protecting the state's coastal zone and influencing federal actions affecting the state's coastal zone.

Designates the department of ecology as the principal state agency for administering the provisions of the federal coastal zone management act.