

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5898

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Studying recreational boating safety.

Sponsors: Senators Oke, Doumit, Esser, Jacobsen, Swecker, Fraser and Shin.

Senate Committee on Parks, Fish & Wildlife
House Committee on Fisheries, Ecology & Parks

Background: There is concern that the number of recreational boating accidents, fatalities, and near misses indicates a need for safer practices.

Summary: The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission and the Boating Safety Advisory Council must research and recommend ways to reduce boating accidents, fatalities, and near misses and to recognize the need for homeland security precautions for boaters.

The commission must investigate a variety of methods for achieving safer boating practices, identify costs and potential sources of funding, and report to the Legislature by January 1, 2004.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	48	0
House	93	0

Effective: July 27, 2003