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Sponsor(s): Senators Mulliken and T. Sheldon; by request of Governor Locke

Brief Description: Establishing a schedule of time limits under which local governments must develop or amend shoreline master plans.

**SB 5551 - DIGEST**

Declares an intent to amend the shoreline management act to facilitate the implementation of guidelines that provide for review and amendment of local government shoreline master programs. To this end, the legislature affirms the schedule of time limits provided in RCW 90.58.080 for updating shoreline master programs by local governments and eliminates the limits on state funding of shoreline master program updating costs.

Declares an intent that the state provide funding to local governments that is reasonable and adequate to accomplish the task of updating shoreline master programs, and consistent with the schedule for the local governments to adopt the updates of shoreline master programs.

Provides that, except as specifically described in RCW 90.58.250 (1), nothing in this act is intended to alter the existing obligations, duties, and benefits provided by the shoreline management act to local governments and the department.