
SENATE BILL 5739

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1 AN ACT Relating to vehicle idling in Washington state ferry holding
2 areas; and adding a new section to chapter 47.60 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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

6 (1) The driver of a vehicle waiting in a holding area operated by
7 Washington state ferries shall not have the vehicle idle in excess of
8 three consecutive minutes if the vehicle is gasoline-powered or in
9 excess of five consecutive minutes if the vehicle is diesel-powered,
10 unless:

11 (a) The vehicle is being used as an emergency vehicle in an
12 emergency situation;

13 (b) The vehicle is required by a federal, state, or local law or
14 official, but only to the extent necessary to comply with such a
15 requirement;

16 (c) The vehicle's engine is providing auxiliary power for
17 activities other than heating or air conditioning, such as loading,
18 refrigeration, well drilling, or farming;

1 (d) Running the vehicle's engine is necessary for maintenance,
2 servicing, repair, or diagnostic purposes;

3 (e) Running the vehicle's engine during adverse weather conditions
4 is necessary to ensure the safe operation of the vehicle; or

5 (f) The ambient air temperature is below twenty degrees Fahrenheit
6 for gasoline-powered vehicles or below thirty-two degrees Fahrenheit
7 for diesel-powered vehicles, and idling of the vehicle is necessary to
8 ensure the safety or health of the passengers or driver.

9 (2) RCW 47.04.090 does not apply to this section.

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