

2SHB 1186 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-2038.1/11) 77

By Representative Short

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1 On page 6, beginning on line 3 of the amendment, strike everything
2 through "vessels." on page 8, line 36 of the amendment and insert the
3 following:

4 "(1) In order to better ensure the effective use of qualified
5 regional vessels of opportunity response groups to respond to large
6 scale oil spills, contingency plan holders covering individual or
7 multiple tank vessels transiting to or from a Washington facility
8 shall provide information to assist existing department contingency
9 plan review and preparedness personnel in submitting a report to the
10 legislature, consistent with RCW 43.01.036, no later than July 1,
11 2012. The report must, at a minimum, include the following:

12 (a) A recommendation for tiered qualifications, exercise, and
13 performance standards necessary to qualify for listing as a vessels of
14 opportunity system with specific capabilities;

15 (b) A description of the capabilities and locations of current
16 vessels of opportunity systems;

17 (c) A survey of potential participants in a vessels of opportunity
18 system per region, consistent with department planning standards;

19 (d) The identification of geographic areas where regional vessels
20 of opportunity response groups could provide effective early
21 deployment of geographic response plans and on water recovery
22 assistance;

23 (e) An audit of existing non-profit organizations that utilize
24 vessels of opportunity systems to identify lessons learned for
25 potential expansion of such models; and

26 (f) Descriptions of safety, performance, and sustainability
27 challenges that need to be addressed to provide for ongoing effective

1 vessels of opportunity systems designed to augment dedicated public
2 and private resources.

3 (2) The department shall grant equivalent planning standard credit
4 to any tank vessel contingency plan holder demonstrating planning
5 standards compliance provided by a vessels of opportunity system
6 verified by the department.

7 (3) Nothing in this section shall prevent or delay continuous
8 improvement, testing, or training of any vessels of opportunity
9 systems in place before the effective date of this section."

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11 On page 22, line 24 of the amendment, after "(a)" strike all
12 material through "(b)" on line 26 of the amendment

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14 On page 22, at the beginning of line 28 of the amendment, strike
15 "(c)" and insert "(b)"

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17 On page 22, at the beginning of line 31 of the amendment, strike
18 "(d)" and insert "(c)"

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EFFECT: Removes the requirements that tank vessel owners or operators establish a vessels of opportunity system and replaces the provisions with a required report on the topic by the Department of Ecology, a requirement that the Department of Ecology award planning credit to contingency plan holders utilizing a vessels of opportunity system, and adds clarification that existing vessels of opportunity systems may continue to be improved and tested.

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