

REVENUE: No revenue impact
 FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
 Vote: 5 - 0 - 2
 Yeas: Beyer, Cannon, Jenson, Macpherson, Dingfelder
 Nays: -
 Exc.: Burley, Smith G.
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 Meeting Dates: 4/6, 4/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Increases Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) fees assessed on cargo, passenger and dredging vessels and onshore and offshore facilities to support programs related to oil spills. Specifies fees for non-self propelled tank vessels based on their capacity. Adds “liquefied natural gas” to the definition of “oils.” Directs DEQ to review fees annually and publish a report to fee payers and the public describing DEQ fee collection and related activities. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the bill

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

- Applies to liquefied natural gas in transit through state waters or at a facility that receives liquefied natural gas from a vessel.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Legislature passed the Oil Spill Prevention Act in 1991, which DEQ implements. DEQ reviews spill prevention and response plans, participates in response drills, and works with federal, local and other state governments to ensure a quick and coordinated response to marine spills. The program is funded by fees from vessels and barges that transport large quantities of petroleum and by large facilities that transfer petroleum by pipeline over water. Fees for the program were last increased in 2001.

Proposed revised fee schedule:

<u>Type of vessel or structure</u>	<u>Previous fee</u>	<u>Proposed fee</u>
Cargo and passenger vessels	\$48 per trip	\$70 per trip
Non-self propelled tank vessel—capacity less than 25,000 barrels	\$42 per trip	\$60 per trip
Non-self propelled tank vessel—capacity 25,000 to 99,999 barrels	\$42 per trip	\$70 per trip
Non-self propelled tank vessel—capacity 100,000 barrels or greater	\$42 per trip	\$100 per trip
Self-propelled tank vessel—300 gross tons or less	\$42 per trip	\$60 per trip
Self-propelled tank vessel—over 300 gross tons	\$836 per trip	\$1,200 per trip
Offshore and onshore facilities	\$4,500 per year	\$5,900 per year
Dredge vessels	\$24 per day	\$36 per day

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