

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3123

Ordered by the House April 29
Including House Amendments dated April 29

Sponsored by Representative BAILEY; Representatives BOONE, WITT

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Prohibits owner or operator of passenger vessel from releasing or directing another person to release hazardous material or sewage into Pacific Ocean within territorial limits of State of Oregon.]

Directs Department of Environmental Quality to study impact of sewage, gray water and hazardous material discharged by vessels on water quality and availability of facilities for removal and treatment of sewage from passenger vessels.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the release of substances by passenger vessels.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. The Legislative Assembly declares that it is the policy of this state to protect the quality of the waters of the state by:

(1) Controlling the discharge of sewage, gray water and hazardous material as defined in ORS 466.605 from passenger vessels as defined in ORS 468B.300; and

(2) To the extent allowed by 33 U.S.C. 1322(f), prohibiting the discharge of sewage from passenger vessels.

SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Environmental Quality shall study:

(a) The impact of sewage, gray water and hazardous material discharged by vessels, including passenger vessels, on water quality; and

(b) The reasonable availability of adequate facilities for the safe and sanitary removal and treatment of sewage from passenger vessels.

(2) The department shall report the results of the study conducted pursuant to subsection (1) of this section to the Legislative Assembly on or before January 14, 2011.

SECTION 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this 2009 Act are repealed on January 2, 2012.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.