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Senate Bill 1117 (as introduced 2-9-10) Sponsor: Senator Patricia L. Birkholz

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## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Part 801 (Marine Safety) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to authorize a peace officer to order the relocation or removal of an item or material that presented a hazard to navigation.

Currently, the Department of Natural Resources and Environment may order the relocation or removal of an anchored raft that, in the Department's opinion, presents a hazard to navigation.

Under the bill, if an anchored raft or other item or material, whether floating free or attached to the bottomland or a shoreline, presented a hazard to navigation, the Department or a peace officer with jurisdiction over the body of water where the item or material was located could order its relocation or removal.

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## FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have an indeterminate impact on the State and local units of government regarding enforcement costs. Costs would include removal, storage, and disposal of items.

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