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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6457**

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**State of Washington**

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**By** Senate Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Rolfes, Haugen, and Sheldon)

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1       AN ACT Relating to the preferential hiring of veterans by the  
2 marine division of the department of transportation; and adding a new  
3 section to chapter 47.60 RCW.

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

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

7       (1) To the greatest extent practicable and within available  
8 resources, the marine division of the department shall expand existing  
9 opportunities and develop new opportunities to provide for the  
10 preferential hiring of veterans. Options may include, but are not  
11 limited to, increasing awareness of the veteran preference points  
12 hiring process, notifying veteran assistance organizations of relevant  
13 job vacancies, collaborating with other applicable state and local  
14 agencies to increase veteran hiring, and participating in the wounded  
15 combat veterans internship program. For the purposes of this section,  
16 "veteran" has the same meaning as in RCW 41.04.007.

17       (2) The department may adopt rules as necessary to implement the

1 requirements of this section.

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