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**Legal Title**
Oil Spill Prevention and Administration Fund

**Legal Citation/Authority**
Chapter 1248, Statutes of 1990
Government Code section 8670.38

**Fund Classification**

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**Purpose**
This fund is a depository for annual fees imposed upon marine terminal operators on oil at the time the oil is received at a marine terminal and operators of a pipeline transporting oil into the state across, under, or through marine waters.

To implement oil prevention programs, to carry out studies for oil spill prevention and response and to finance environmental studies to the effects of oil spills. These fees shall not be used for responding to an oil spill.

**Administering Agency/Organization Code**
Department of Fish and Game/Org 3600

**Major Revenue Source**
Fees paid by marine terminal operators on each barrel of oil delivered through the marine terminal.

Fees paid by operators of pipelines on each barrel of oil transported into the state by means of a pipeline operated across, under, or through the marine waters of the state.

**Disposition of Fund (upon abolishment)**
Pursuant to Government Code 16346, in the absence of language that identifies a successor fund, any balance remaining in this fund upon abolishment, shall be transferred to the General Fund.

**Appropriation Authority**
Upon appropriation by the Legislature.

**State Appropriations Limit**
Excluded - Revenues in this fund are not proceeds of taxes, however, when transferred, may become proceeds of taxes. These revenues are used to regulate the activities engaged in by the payers.

**Comments/Historical Information**
Chapter 583, Statutes of 2011 required the administrator to develop and implement bunkering and lightering operations of vessels at anchor and alongside a dock. Beginning January 1, 2012 the fee per barrel of crude oil or petroleum products was revised to an amount not to exceed $0.065, and beginning January 1, 2015 to an amount not to exceed $0.05.