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# S. 2506

To amend title 46, United States Code, with respect to the Federal preemption of State law concerning the regulation of marine and ocean navigation, safety, and transportation by States.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 4, 2000

Mr. GORTON introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. STANDARDS.**

4 Section 3703 of title 46, United States Code, is  
5 amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

6 “(d) PRESERVATION OF STATE AUTHORITY.—Noth-  
7 ing in this chapter, or any other provision of law, preempts  
8 the authority of a State to adopt additional standards re-

- 1 garding maintenance, operation, equipping, personnel
- 2 qualification, or manning of vessels to which the regula-
- 3 tions under subsection (a) apply.”.

