

Safe seas: ro-ro passenger ships, specific stability requirements

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution based on the draft by Bernard BOIGNANT (PES, France) on safety requirements for ro-ro passenger ships. (Please refer to the document dated 08/10/02.) The following additional amendments were made to the draft directive: -a child aged less than one year is not to be counted as a passenger; -where an additional ship is operated for a short period, the shipping company must notify the host State not later than one month before the ship is operated on the service, instead of the original proposal of three months; -where in unforeseen circumstances, a replacement ship must be introduced rapidly to ensure continuity of service, the provisions of Directive 1999/35/EC must apply.