

House Bill 2625

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Authorizes Department of Environmental Quality to board and inspect certain vessels and to collect ballast water samples.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to ballast water; amending ORS 783.640.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 783.640 is amended to read:

5 783.640. (1) Owners or operators of vessels regulated under ORS 783.625 to 783.640 must report
6 ballast water management information to the Department of Environmental Quality:

7 (a) For voyages greater than 24 hours in length, at least 24 hours prior to entering the waters
8 of this state; or

9 (b) For voyages less than 24 hours in length, prior to departing the port or place of departure.

10 (2) The department may work with maritime associations and any national ballast information
11 clearinghouse to establish the manner and form of the reporting required under this section.

12 (3) The department may verify compliance with ORS 783.625 to 783.640 by:

13 (a) Relying on tests conducted by the United States Coast Guard or on other tests determined
14 to be appropriate by the department.

15 (b) **Boarding and inspecting vessels regulated under ORS 783.625 to 783.640 and collecting**
16 **samples of ballast water as part of the inspection.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.