

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	7 - 1 - 0
Yeas:	Bentz, Boone, Krieger, Thompson, Witt, Cannon, Gilliam
Nays:	Bailey
Exc.:	0
Prepared By:	Liz Puskar, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	3/31, 4/12, 4/19

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Imposes fine of \$30 for manually propelled boats, \$50 for motorboats, for violations of ORS 830.565, which requires persons operating boats in Oregon waters to hold aquatic invasive species permit.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Revenue gained by Oregon State Marine Board from aquatic invasive species permit fees
- Level of compliance with permit requirements by persons operating manually propelled boats
- Notice of potential fine to persons operating manually propelled boats
- Consequences of introduction to Oregon waters of aquatic invasive species

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces measure.

BACKGROUND: “Invasive species” are plants, animals, and microbes not native to a region which, when introduced, outcompete native species for available resources, reproduce prolifically, and dominate regions and ecosystems. Because they often arrive in new areas unaccompanied by their native predators, invasive species can be difficult to control. Left unchecked, many invasives can transform entire ecosystems, as native species and habitats disappear. In 2009 the Legislative Assembly adopted a measure, codified at ORS 830.565, requiring any person who operates a manually propelled boat that is 10 feet or more in length or a motorboat on the waters of this state must obtain an aquatic invasive species prevention permit from the State Marine Board. House Bill 3121 A would establish the monetary amount of the fine imposed for violating that statute.