

REVENUE: No revenue impact**FISCAL: No fiscal impact**

Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	3 - 2 - 0
Yeas:	Bonamici, Monroe, Shields
Nays:	Boquist, George
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	4/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs the Governor to appoint the State Marine Director.**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Similar positions not appointed by the Governor
- Inability for Governor to remove previous director
- Applicability to current director
- Lack of accountability to legislative oversight

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon State Marine Board, established in 1959, is the state's recreational boating agency, dedicated to safety, education and access. The Board utilizes marine fuel tax and title and registration fees to provide for boating safety educational programs, marine law enforcement and improved boating facilities. The Board titles and registers over 195,000 recreational vessels, and also registers outfitters and guides and licenses ocean charter boats. The Board is served by staff, including the State Marine Director.

Under current law, the State Marine Director is appointed by the members of the Oregon State Marine Board (ORS 830.135). Senate Bill 163 replaces the Board's authority to appoint the Director with a provision that the Governor is to make the appointment, and that the Director will serve at the pleasure of the Governor.