
MEMORANDUM

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Subject: HB 2207A
Work Session Recommendations

HB 2207A relates to ballast water. The bill authorizes the Environmental Quality Commission to adopt by rule standards and procedures for implementing alternative ballast water management strategies for vessels with empty ballast tanks that enter waters of state.

The –A4 amendment removes the requirement that civil penalties collected under state laws regulating discharge of ballast water into waters of state be deposited in Invasive Species Control Account instead of the General Fund. This change makes the bill non-fiscal as the Department can accommodate the rule making without additional funds.

Recommended Changes to HB 2207A:

The Legislative Fiscal Office recommends adoption of the –A4 amendment, which removes the fiscal impact.

Move adoption of the -A4 amendment to HB 2207

Measure to Full

LFO recommends the measure be moved to the full Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion #1: Move HB 2207 as amended, to the full committee with a Do Pass recommendation.

Assignment of Carriers

Full: _____
2nd Chamber: _____