

**FULL COMMITTEE PONY**

**HB 5022**  
**Marine Board**

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HB 5022 is the budget bill for the State Marine Board. The five-member Board promotes the safe and enjoyable use of state waters for recreational boating. The Board registers and titles all recreational motorized and sailboats 12 feet and longer. The Board provides boater education, marine law enforcement, and facility access, and works to mitigate the effects of invasive species on native waters.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee approved a total funds budget of \$33,892,159 and 39 positions and FTE. The budget includes \$27,259,745 Other Funds and \$6,632,414 Federal Funds and allows the Board to continue current operations and make permanent one limited duration position for the guide and outfitter program. The total funding level is a 0.3% decrease from the 2015-17 legislatively approved budget due to a reduction in Federal Funds limitation to better reflect anticipated federal funds that will be expended. The projected ending balance is equivalent to approximately 4.5 months of operating expenses.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 5022 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.