

**HB 2695 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**  
**House Committee On Transportation Policy**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Exempts certain towing vessels and their towed barges from requirement that Oregon Board of Maritime Pilots licensee pilot vessel.

**REVENUE:** May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

**FISCAL:** May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

**BACKGROUND:**

Current statute requires a bar pilot for vessels traversing the Columbia River Bar, Coos Bay, and Yaquina Bay. House Bill 2695 exempts vessels engaged in the coasting trade between British Columbia and Oregon when the towing vessel is under control of an individual holding the appropriate federal mariner license.