

**HB 2777 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Rep. Smith DB

**House Committee On Agriculture and Natural Resources**

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**Action Date:** 03/23/21

**Action:** Do Pass.

**Vote:** 10-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 10 - Breese-Iverson, Cate, Hudson, Marsh, McLain, Post, Reardon, Smith DB, Williams, Witt

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/9, 3/23

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs State Marine Board to provide optional licensing of boats as charter boats, upon request from a person, if boat carries fewer than seven passengers for hire for angling, sightseeing, or other recreational purposes. Requires that such boat licensed as charter boat be subject to the same provisions, conditions, fees and other requirements as other charter boats.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Safety equipment requirements and concerns
- Financial incentives for related businesses

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 830.430) defines charter boat as a boat used to carry seven or more passengers for hire for angling, sightseeing or other recreational purposes.

House Bill 2777 directs the State Marine Board to provide optional licensing of boats as charter boats if boat carries fewer than seven passengers for hire.