

A-Engrossed
House Bill 2695

Ordered by the House March 31
Including House Amendments dated March 31

Sponsored by Representative WITT; Representatives HELM, LIVELY, MCLAIN (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Modifies membership of State Marine Board.
Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to the State Marine Board; creating new provisions; amending ORS 830.105, 830.120, 830.125
3 and 830.130; and prescribing an effective date.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 830.105 is amended to read:

6 830.105. (1) There hereby is created the State Marine Board consisting of [*five*] **10** members to
7 be appointed by the Governor and to serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

8 **(2) The board shall consist of eight voting members and two nonvoting members.**

9 **(3) The Governor shall appoint the voting members, as follows:**

10 **(a) One member with academic or professional expertise in riverine ecology, fisheries**
11 **biology or environmental conservation;**

12 **(b) One member who owns a floating home;**

13 **(c) One member representing a recreational boating organization or who has substantial**
14 **and current experience as a recreational boater;**

15 **(d) One member representing a water paddling organization or who has substantial and**
16 **current experience as a water paddler;**

17 **(e) One member representing a recreational fishing organization or who has substantial**
18 **and current experience as a recreational fisher;**

19 **(f) One member who is a member of, or who represents, a federally recognized Indian**
20 **tribe in this state;**

21 **(g) One member of the public at large; and**

22 **(h) One member who is a licensed outfitter and guide.**

23 **(4) In addition to the voting members appointed under subsection (3) of this section, the**
24 **Governor shall select two ex officio nonvoting members from among any combination of the**
25 **following:**

26 **(a) By appointing the Director of the Department of State Lands or the director's**
27 **designee;**

28 **(b) By appointing the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality or the**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **director's designee; or**

2 **(c) By inviting a representative of any agency of the federal government that has statu-**
3 **tory duties directly related to fish management.**

4 [(2)] (5) Each member shall be a resident of this state, a citizen of the United States, and at the
5 time of appointment shall have resided in this state for at least one year.

6 **(6) The board shall allow public testimony on matters pending before the board during**
7 **the same public meeting in which the matter is being considered. Board members may also**
8 **engage in a substantive dialogue with individuals presenting public testimony, as time allows,**
9 **for the purposes both of transparency and allowing the public an opportunity to engage with**
10 **board members in a meaningful exchange on the policy issues underlying such matters**
11 **within the public interest.**

12 [(3)] (7) All [appointments of] **voting** members of the board **appointed** by the Governor are sub-
13 ject to confirmation by the Senate in the manner provided in ORS 171.562 and 171.565.

14 **SECTION 2.** ORS 830.120 is amended to read:

15 830.120. The term of office of a member is four years beginning on July 1 of the year of ap-
16 pointment. A member shall continue to serve until a successor has been appointed **or invited** and
17 qualifies. Before a member's term expires, the Governor shall appoint **or invite** a successor to as-
18 sume duties on July 1 at the expiration of the predecessor's term. A vacancy in office shall be filled
19 by appointment **or invitation** for the unexpired term.

20 **SECTION 3.** ORS 830.125 is amended to read:

21 830.125. **Voting** members of the State Marine Board are entitled to compensation and expenses
22 as provided in ORS 292.495.

23 **SECTION 4.** ORS 830.130 is amended to read:

24 830.130. (1) The State Marine Board shall select one of its **voting** members as chairperson and
25 another **voting member** as secretary, each of whom shall hold office for one year, or until the se-
26 lection of a successor. [*Three members of the board constitute a quorum for the transaction of busi-*
27 *ness.*]

28 **(2) A majority of the voting members of the board constitutes a quorum for the trans-**
29 **action of business.**

30 **(3) The board shall meet at least once every three months at a place, day and hour determined**
31 **by the board. The board shall also meet at such other times and places as are specified by the call**
32 **of the chairperson or of [three] a majority of the voting members of the board.**

33 **SECTION 5. (1) On June 30, 2022, the term of office of members of the State Marine**
34 **Board then holding office shall cease. A member whose term of office has been terminated**
35 **by this subsection is eligible for reappointment to the State Marine Board.**

36 **(2) Notwithstanding the term of office specified by ORS 830.105, of the members first**
37 **appointed or invited to the State Marine Board:**

38 **(a) Two shall serve for a term ending June 30, 2023.**

39 **(b) Two shall serve for a term ending June 30, 2024.**

40 **(c) Three shall serve for a term ending June 30, 2025.**

41 **(d) Three shall serve for a term ending June 30, 2026.**

42 **SECTION 6.** Section 5 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2027.

43 **SECTION 7.** This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021
44 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.