

# House Bill 2777

Sponsored by Representative SMITH DB (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 **as introduced**.

Directs State Marine Board to provide optional licensing of boats as charter boats if boat carries fewer than seven passengers for hire.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to boats; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 830.430.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2021 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 830.430 to**  
5 **830.465.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) The State Marine Board, by rule, shall provide for optional charter boat**  
7 **licensing if the boat is used to carry fewer than seven passengers for hire for angling,**  
8 **sightseeing or other recreational purposes.**

9 **(2) Upon request of a person, the board may issue a charter boat license for a boat that**  
10 **meets the requirements of rules adopted under this section.**

11 **(3) A boat that is licensed as a charter boat under this section is subject to the same**  
12 **provisions, conditions, fees and other requirements as are other charter boats under ORS**  
13 **chapter 830.**

14 **SECTION 3. ORS 830.430 is amended to read:**

15 830.430. As used in ORS 830.430 to 830.465 and 830.997:

16 (1) "Charter boat" means:

17 **(a) A boat used to carry seven or more passengers for hire for angling, sightseeing or other**  
18 **recreational purposes; or**

19 **(b) A boat that is licensed under section 2 of this 2021 Act.**

20 (2) "Charter boat" does not include a "passenger vessel" or "small passenger vessel," as defined  
21 by the State Marine Board by rule, that:

22 (a) Has been inspected and documented by the United States Coast Guard;

23 (b) Carries more than 12 passengers for hire; and

24 (c) Operates east of the demarcation lines described in the International Collision Regulations  
25 at Sea of 1972 on waters identified by the board by rule.

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**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.