

Requested by Representative HELM

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 2170**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “830.587,” insert “830.589,”.

2 On page 3, after line 22, insert:

3 **“SECTION 7.** ORS 830.589 is amended to read:

4 “830.589. (1) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State Marine  
5 Board or the State Department of Agriculture may require a person trans-  
6 porting a recreational or commercial watercraft to stop at a check station  
7 to inspect the watercraft for the presence of aquatic invasive species. The  
8 purpose of the administrative search authorized under this section is to  
9 prevent and limit the spread of aquatic invasive species within Oregon.

10 “(2)(a) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State Marine  
11 Board or the State Department of Agriculture may decontaminate, or order  
12 the decontamination of, any recreational or commercial watercraft that the  
13 agency inspects at a check station operated under authority of this section.  
14 If the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State Marine Board or the  
15 State Department of Agriculture orders decontamination, the person trans-  
16 porting the watercraft shall cooperate with the agency to complete the de-  
17 contamination.

18 “(b) Failure to cooperate with the ordered decontamination process is  
19 subject to penalties under ORS 830.998.

20 “[3) *All check stations operated under authority of this section must be*  
21 *plainly marked by signs that comply with all state and federal laws and must*

1 *be staffed by at least one uniformed employee of the State Department of Fish*  
2 *and Wildlife, the State Marine Board or the State Department of Agriculture*  
3 *trained in inspection and decontamination of recreational or commercial*  
4 *watercraft.]*

5 **“(3) All check stations operated under authority of this section**  
6 **must be:**

7 **“(a) Plainly marked by signs that comply with all state and federal**  
8 **laws; and**

9 **“(b) Staffed by at least one uniformed employee, trained in in-**  
10 **spection and decontamination of recreational or commercial**  
11 **watercraft, of:**

12 **“(A) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife;**

13 **“(B) The State Marine Board;**

14 **“(C) The State Department of Agriculture; or**

15 **“(D) A local government or local service district as provided under**  
16 **section 1 of this 2025 Act.**

17 **“(4) An agency that operates a check station under this section shall re-**  
18 **quire all persons transporting recreational or commercial watercraft to stop**  
19 **at the check station, and the agency shall inspect every recreational or**  
20 **commercial watercraft that goes through the check station.**

21 **“(5) Notwithstanding ORS 496.992, a person transporting a recreational**  
22 **or commercial watercraft who stops at a check station for inspection and**  
23 **who cooperates in the decontamination process is not subject to criminal**  
24 **sanctions for possessing or transporting aquatic invasive species.**

25 **“(6) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State Marine Board**  
26 **and the State Department of Agriculture may adopt rules to carry out the**  
27 **provisions of this section.**

28 **“(7) As used in this section, ‘local government’ and ‘local service**  
29 **district’ have the meanings given those terms in ORS 174.116.”.**

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