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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING
INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & FISCAL IMPACT

CHAPTER 856
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OREGON BOARD OF MARITIME PILOTS

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FILING CAPTION: Amending rule to allow docking and undocking while holding state training license.

LAST DAY AND TIME TO OFFER COMMENT TO AGENCY: 01/21/2025 3:00 PM

The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

A public rulemaking hearing may be requested in writing by 10 or more people, or by a group with 10 or more members, within 21 days following the publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the Oregon Bulletin or 28 days from the date the Notice was sent to people on the agency mailing list, whichever is later. If sufficient hearing requests are received, the notice of the date and time of the rulemaking hearing must be published in the Oregon Bulletin at least 14 days before the hearing.

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S)

The rule change was recommended because the opportunity for trainees to meet the requirement has been reduced as ship patterns have changed.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE

Rules Committee Recommendation from 10/3/2024 and Board recommendation from 11/21/2024. Both notes are available from the Board Administrator and recordings are available on the Board's website.

STATEMENT IDENTIFYING HOW ADOPTION OF RULE(S) WILL AFFECT RACIAL EQUITY IN THIS STATE

There is no anticipated affect on racial equity in the state.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT:

There is no anticipated fiscal or economic impact.

COST OF COMPLIANCE:

(1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s). (2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s); (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s); (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).

There is no cost to comply with this rule.

DESCRIBE HOW SMALL BUSINESSES WERE INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE RULE(S):

The Board has no authority over any entity other than its licensees.

WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSULTED? YES

AMEND: 856-015-0014

RULE SUMMARY: Amending rule to allow docking and undocking observations to occur while holding a state training license; instead of requiring a federal pilotage endorsement.

CHANGES TO RULE:

856-015-0014

Pilot Licensing Requirements - Columbia River Bar Pilotage Ground

When applying for an original license on the Columbia River Bar pilotage ground the applicant shall:¶

- (1) Hold a valid license issued by the U.S. Coast Guard as "Unlimited Master any oceans - any tonnage", endorsed for Radar Observer.¶
- (2) Hold a valid Columbia River Bar trainee license issued by the Board.¶
- (3) Make a minimum of one hundred (100) crossings of the Columbia River Bar under the supervision of a state-licensed Columbia River Bar pilot. These crossings shall be made while holding a valid federal pilot endorsement.¶
- (4) Document having been on board and observed a minimum of ten (10) ships docking or undocking from the Astoria Port Docks, Tongue Point, and other facilities. These observations shall be made while holding a ~~valid federal pilot endorsement~~ state training license.¶
- (5) Document having made at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the minimum one hundred (100) crossings of the Columbia River Bar during the hours of darkness.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 776.115

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 776.300