Summary of HB 137 Commission Meeting

October 7, 2019

Commission Members present: Chair Suzanne Smith, Kelly Buchanan, Peter MacCallum, Shane Carey, Sen. Ruth Ward, Winston Sims, Maggie Ford, Pam Price, Chris Bischoff, Sarah Kirn, David Mankus, John Whalley, Scott Behner

Absent: Rep. Mike Gunski, Marine Patrol Captain Tim Dunleavy

Others: Keith Mayotte, Jodi Grimbilas (WSIA)

Location: MacCallum's Boat House Epsom, NH

Summary of meeting:

MacCallum's Boat House (Peter MacCallum and staff) offered an education and demonstration of the different types of tow boats:

- The meeting started at 9am with a gathering in the dealership main office where catalogs of different boats were available for viewing and a brief introduction of commission members in attendance.
- The meeting moved to the showroom for a review of different types of towboats offered for sale by the dealership. Peter MacCallum educated the Commission about different types of propulsions (outboard, inboard/outboard, inboard, jet) and wake enhancing technologies.
 Explanation of industry trends in boating and customer preferences towards a wide variety of family activities were also discussed.
- A review of the NH safe passage law using a 150' line was demonstrated in the parking lot.
- Commission members were invited to ride in a 2019 G23 Super Air Nautique tow boat, a popular inboard model sold at the dealership, to highlight the boat's capabilities and to experience an athlete wake board and wake surf on 640 ac. Northwood Lake.
- Commission members were showed the filling and emptying of ballast tanks, and the type of wakes created cruising and exhibited during watersports.
- Commission members were showed the capabilities of the stereo system onboard and the options that exist for consumers.
- Commission members were shown a 2019 Yamaha Jet Boat that featured ballast technology.
- Members of the Commission were encouraged to ask questions throughout the session.
- The demonstration ended approximately 11am.