

LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA  
ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION  
**LEGISLATIVE BILL 105**  
Final Reading

Introduced by Schilz, 47.

Read first time January 06, 2011

Committee: Natural Resources

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to the State Boat Act; to amend section  
2 37-1241.06, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and  
3 section 37-1241.08, Revised Statutes Cumulative  
4 Supplement, 2010; to change restrictions on operation of  
5 motorboats and personal watercraft; to eliminate an  
6 obsolete provision; to provide an operative date; and to  
7 repeal the original sections.  
8 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           Section 1. Section 37-1241.06, Reissue Revised Statutes  
2 of Nebraska, is amended to read:

3           37-1241.06 (1)(a) No person under fourteen years of age  
4 shall operate a motorboat or personal watercraft on the waters of  
5 this state.

6           (b) No person under sixteen years of age shall operate a  
7 motorboat or personal watercraft on the waters of this state with an  
8 individual in tow behind the motorboat or personal watercraft.

9           ~~(2) Effective May 1, 2000, and until January 1, 2004, a~~  
10 ~~person under sixteen years of age shall not operate a motorboat or~~  
11 ~~personal watercraft on the waters of this state unless he or she has~~  
12 ~~successfully completed a boating safety course approved by the~~  
13 ~~commission and has been issued a valid boating safety certificate.~~

14           ~~(3)~~(2) Effective January 1, 2004, ~~a 2012,~~ no person  
15 ~~under eighteen years of age born after December 31, 1985, shall not~~  
16 operate a motorboat or personal watercraft on the waters of this  
17 state unless he or she has successfully completed a boating safety  
18 course approved by the commission and has been issued a valid boating  
19 safety certificate.

20           ~~(4)~~(3) The commission may charge a fee of no more than  
21 ten dollars for a boating safety course required by this section.

22           Sec. 2. Section 37-1241.08, Revised Statutes Cumulative  
23 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:

24           37-1241.08 Sections 37-1241.01 to 37-1241.07 shall not  
25 apply to a person operating a motorboat or personal watercraft and

1 participating in a regatta, race, marine parade, tournament, or  
2 exhibition which has been authorized or permitted by the commission  
3 pursuant to sections 37-1262 and 37-1263 or to a person who is  
4 otherwise exempt from ~~the provisions of~~ the State Boat Act.

5           Sec. 3. This act becomes operative on January 1, 2012.

6           Sec. 4. Original section 37-1241.06, Reissue Revised  
7 Statutes of Nebraska, and section 37-1241.08, Revised Statutes  
8 Cumulative Supplement, 2010, are repealed.