

HOUSE BILL No. 6314

July 1, 2010, Introduced by Rep. Haase and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Outdoor Recreation and Natural Resources.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending section 80141 (MCL 324.80141), as added by 1995 PA 58.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 80141. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection
2 (4), a person less than 12 years of age shall not operate a
3 motorboat on the waters of this state unless all of the following
4 conditions are met:

5 (A) HE OR SHE HAS BEEN ISSUED AND IS IN POSSESSION OF A
6 BOATING SAFETY CERTIFICATE.

7 (B) ~~(a)~~—He or she is under the direct supervision of a person
8 on board the motorboat who is 16 years of age or older AND WHO HAS
9 BEEN ISSUED AND IS IN POSSESSION OF BOTH A BOATING SAFETY

1 **CERTIFICATE AND A WATERCRAFT ENDORSEMENT.**

2 (C) ~~(b)~~ The motorboat he or she operates is powered by a motor
3 or motors totaling no more than 35 horsepower.

4 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4), a person
5 12 through 15 years of age may operate a motorboat on the waters of
6 this state only if that person complies with either of the
7 following:

8 (a) He or she is accompanied by at least 1 person 16 years of
9 age or older.

10 (b) He or she is in possession of a boating safety certificate
11 issued after he or she has satisfactorily completed a department
12 approved course in boating safety.

13 (3) A person ~~12 through 15 years of age operating OR~~
14 **SUPERVISING THE OPERATION OF** a motorboat ~~pursuant to subsection~~
15 ~~(2)(b)~~ **AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION** shall present the boating
16 safety certificate issued to him or her upon the demand of any
17 peace officer.

18 (4) This section does not apply to the operation of a
19 motorboat that is powered by a motor or motors totaling no more
20 than 6 horsepower.