

HB 1049 -- Watercraft Regulation

Sponsor: Cooper (155)

Every vessel operating on the waters of the state is required to be numbered. This bill triples the fee which is to accompany each application for a certificate of number. Two-thirds of the fee will be deposited into the Missouri State Water Patrol Fund and used exclusively for the State Water Patrol.

The bill also allows property owners located on a cove on the Lake of the Ozarks the option of having their cove designated by the State Water Patrol as an idle speed, no wake cove. The idle speed, no wake restriction would apply to vessels 26 feet in length or longer on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays from the Friday preceding Memorial Day through Labor Day.