

HB 594 -- Watercraft Outfitters

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This bill gives immunity to outfitters of paddlesport activities for injuries or death to participants due to the inherent risks of paddlesport activities. Outfitters are not immune from liability arising out of an employer-employee relationship. Outfitters are also not immune from liability when an outfitter acts intentionally or negligently, provides unsafe equipment or watercraft, fails to provide a personal flotation device, or fails to exercise ordinary care. All outfitters must post and maintain a warning in a clearly visible location and must include the warning in all contracts with participants.