

HB 658 -- Watercraft

Sponsor: Jones (117)

This bill prohibits vessels from continuously displaying spotlights, docking lights, or any other nonprescribed lights that hinder the night vision of other operators between sunset and sunrise.

All watercraft will be required to have at least a type I, II, III, or V flotation device for each person on board or being towed. Every watercraft, except those in Class A or kayaks, racing kayaks, sailboards, racing shells, racing canoes, and rowing sculls of any length, must have at least one type IV personal flotation device on board.

The bill also prohibits vessels from being operated at a speed in excess of the slow no-wake speed within 100 feet of any emergency vessel that has red and/or blue emergency lighting displayed.