

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT NO. _____

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Offered By

AMEND Senate Bill No. 65, Page 2, Section 306.126, Line 27, by inserting immediately after said section and line the following:

"320.101. 1. This section and section 306.166 shall be known and may be cited as the "Victims of Electric Shock Drowning Prevention Act".

2. All property owners with electricity on their docks shall have, at a minimum, a proper electrical grounding and bonding system, and a functioning shoreline to dock ground fault circuit interrupter.

3. Beginning January 01, 2018, inspections of docks with electricity shall be required as follows:

(1) For all new construction of docks with electricity;

(2) For all modifications of existing docks with electricity; and

(3) For all changes or transfers in ownership of a dock with electricity.

4. No permit may be issued without written documentation of a satisfactory electrical safety inspection.

5. Dock inspections shall be performed by a local fire protection district. All inspections shall be documented in writing.

6. If the body of water and related docks are subject to a permitting authority, then beginning January 01, 2018, the entity issuing permits for the installation of boat docks on the body of water shall mail to every dock permit holder, once annually, a notice of the requirements stated in this section, specifications to be met for successful completion of a satisfactory electrical safety inspection, and contact information for qualified inspectors. Such notification shall specify the importance of electrical safety and the wear and tear to which docks are subject that may affect the electrical safety of the permitted dock.

7. Upon recognition of an immediate safety hazard by the inspecting authority:

(1) The dock shall be deenergized by either the inspection authority or dock owner; and

(2) The dock owner shall have the repairs completed and shall have completed a subsequent electrical inspection successfully in order for the power to be reconnected.

8. Upon a finding of an immediate safety hazard or unsafe condition by any person, the fire protection district or local law enforcement authority shall be notified and respond to the immediate safety hazard or unsafe condition. Upon assessment by the fire protection district or law enforcement authority, if the fire protection district or law enforcement authority finds that the

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1 hazard or condition may be life-threatening, they may require the dock owner to deenergize the
2 dock. After the hazard or condition is made safe, the dock owner shall be required to obtain an
3 inspection under subsection 5 before the dock is reenergized. The entity issuing the permit for the
4 installation of the boat dock on the body of water shall be notified that the condition has been made
5 safe and the dock has been reenergized.

6 9. Any inspecting authority performing dock inspections under this section, or a contractor
7 acting under an agreement with such authority, shall retain full sovereign immunity as it existed in
8 this state at common law prior to September 12, 1977, and such immunity is not waived or
9 abrogated by the purchase of insurance or by any other provision of chapter 537, RSMo, or other
10 law to the contrary."; and

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12 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
13 accordingly.
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