

House \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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1 AMEND House Bill No. 2885, Page 4, Section 306.030, Line 98, by inserting after all of said  
2 section and line the following:  
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4 "306.127. 1. Beginning January 1, 2005, every person born after January 1, 1984, or as  
5 required pursuant to section 306.128, who operates a vessel on the [~~lakes~~] waters of this state  
6 shall possess, on the vessel, a boating safety identification card issued by the water patrol  
7 division or its agent which shows that he or she has:

8 (1) Successfully completed a boating safety course approved by the National Association  
9 of State Boating Law Administrators and certified by the water patrol division. The boating  
10 safety course may include a course sponsored by the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary or the  
11 United States Power Squadron. The water patrol division may appoint agents to administer a  
12 boater education course or course equivalency examination and issue boater identification cards  
13 under guidelines established by the water patrol. The water patrol division shall maintain a list  
14 of approved courses; or

15 (2) Successfully passed an equivalency examination prepared by the water patrol  
16 division and administered by the water patrol division or its agent. The equivalency examination  
17 shall have a degree of difficulty equal to, or greater than, that of the examinations given at the  
18 conclusion of an approved boating safety course; or

19 (3) A valid master's, mate's, or operator's license issued by the United States Coast  
20 Guard.

21 2. The water patrol division or its agent shall issue a permanent boating safety  
22 identification card to each person who complies with the requirements of this section which is  
23 valid for life unless invalidated pursuant to law.

24 3. The water patrol division may charge a fee for such card or any replacement card that  
25 does not substantially exceed the costs of administrating this section. The water patrol division  
26 or its designated agent shall collect such fees. These funds shall be forwarded to general  
27 revenue.

28 4. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person who:

29 (1) Is licensed by the United States Coast Guard to serve as master of a vessel;

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1 (2) Operates a vessel only on a private lake or pond that is not classified as waters of the  
2 state;

3 (3) Until January 1, 2006, is a nonresident who is visiting the state for sixty days or less;

4 (4) Is participating in an event or regatta approved by the water patrol;

5 (5) Is a nonresident who has proof of a valid boating certificate or license issued by  
6 another state if the boating course is approved by the National Association of State Boating Law  
7 Administrators (NASBLA);

8 (6) Is exempted by rule of the water patrol;

9 (7) Is currently serving in any branch of the United States Armed Forces, reserves, or  
10 Missouri National Guard, or any spouse of a person currently in such service; or

11 (8) Has previously successfully completed a boating safety education course approved  
12 by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA).

13 5. The water patrol division shall inform other states of the requirements of this section.

14 6. No individual shall be detained or stopped strictly for the purpose of checking whether  
15 the individual possesses a boating safety identification card or a temporary boater education  
16 permit.

17 7. Any person or company that rents or sells vessels may issue a temporary boating  
18 safety identification card to an individual to operate a rented vessel or a vessel being considered  
19 for sale, for a period of up to seven days, provided that the individual meets the minimum age  
20 requirements for operating a vessel in this state. In order to qualify for the temporary boating  
21 safety identification card, the applicant shall provide a valid driver's license and shall sign an  
22 affidavit that he or she has reviewed the Missouri state highway patrol handbook of Missouri  
23 boating laws and responsibilities. Any individual holding a valid temporary boating safety  
24 identification card shall be deemed in compliance with the requirements of this section. The  
25 Missouri state highway patrol shall charge a fee of nine dollars for such temporary boating safety  
26 identification card. Individuals shall not be eligible for more than one temporary boating safety  
27 identification card. No person or company may issue a temporary boating safety identification  
28 card to an individual under the provisions of this subsection unless such person or company is  
29 capable of submitting the applicant's temporary boating safety identification card information  
30 and payment in an electronic format as prescribed by the Missouri state highway patrol. The  
31 business entity issuing a temporary boating safety identification card to an individual under the  
32 provisions of this subsection shall transmit the applicant's temporary boating safety identification  
33 card information electronically to the Missouri state highway patrol, in a manner and format  
34 prescribed by the superintendent, using an electronic online registration process developed and  
35 provided by the Missouri state highway patrol. The electronic online process developed and  
36 provided by the Missouri state highway patrol shall allow the applicant to pay the temporary  
37 boating safety identification card fee by credit card or debit card. Notwithstanding any provision  
38 in section 306.185 to the contrary, all fees collected under the authority of this subsection shall

1 be deposited in the water patrol division fund. The Missouri state highway patrol shall  
2 promulgate rules for developing the temporary boating safety identification card and any  
3 requirements necessary to the issuance, processing, and payment of the temporary boating safety  
4 identification card. The Missouri state highway patrol shall, by rule, develop a boating safety  
5 checklist for each applicant seeking a temporary boating safety identification card. Nothing in  
6 this subsection shall allow a holder of a temporary boating safety identification card to receive a  
7 notation on the person's driver's license or nondriver identification under section 302.184. The  
8 provisions of this subsection shall expire on December 31, 2032."; and  
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10 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references  
11 accordingly.