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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: FAV	.	
03/17/2009	.	
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The Committee on Commerce (Rich) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 22 - 56
and insert:

identification card in compliance with s. 327.395(1).

(b)1. It is unlawful for the owner of any leased, hired, or rented personal watercraft, or any person having charge over or control of a leased, hired, or rented personal watercraft, to authorize or knowingly permit the watercraft to be operated by any person who has not received instruction in the safe handling of personal watercraft, in compliance with s. 327.54 and rules established by the commission.



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13 2. Any person receiving instruction in the safe handling of
14 personal watercraft pursuant to s. 327.54 and any a program
15 established by rule of the commission must provide the owner of,
16 or person having charge of or control over, a leased, hired, or
17 rented personal watercraft with a written statement attesting to
18 the same.

19 3. The commission shall have the authority to establish
20 rules pursuant to chapter 120 prescribing the instruction to be
21 given, which shall take into account the nature and operational
22 characteristics of personal watercraft and general principles
23 and regulations pertaining to boating safety.

24 (c) Any person who violates this subsection commits a
25 misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.
26 775.082 or s. 775.083.

27 Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 327.54, Florida
28 Statutes, is amended to read:

29 327.54 Liveries; safety regulations; penalty.—

30 (4) (a) A livery may not knowingly lease, hire, or rent a
31 personal watercraft to any person who is under 18 years of age.

32 (b) A livery may not knowingly lease, hire, or rent a
33 personal watercraft to any person who has not received
34 instruction in the safe handling of personal watercraft pursuant
35 to rule 68D-36.107, Florida Administrative Code, or any other
36 rule, in compliance with rules established by the commission
37 pursuant to chapter 120.

38 (c) Any person receiving instruction in the safe handling
39 of personal watercraft pursuant to rule 68D-36.107, Florida