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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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Representative McFarland offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 81 and 82, insert:

Section 3. Effective October 1, 2022, subsection (4) of section 327.395, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

327.395 Boating safety education.—

(4) A commission-approved boating safety education course or temporary certificate examination developed or approved by the commission must include components ~~a component~~ regarding:

(a) Diving vessels, awareness of divers in the water, divers-down warning devices, and the requirements of s. 327.331.

(b) The danger associated with:

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14       1. A passenger riding on a seat back, gunwale, transom,  
15 bow, motor cover, or any other vessel area not designed and  
16 designated by the manufacturer for seating.

17       2. A passenger falling overboard.

18       3. Operating a vessel with a person in the water near the  
19 vessel.

20       4. Starting a vessel with the engine in gear.

21       5. Leaving the vessel running when a passenger is boarding  
22 or disembarking.

23       (c) The proper use and lifesaving benefits of an engine  
24 cutoff switch for motorboats and personal watercraft.

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26 The commission must include the components under this subsection  
27 in boating safety education campaigns and in educational  
28 materials produced by the commission, as appropriate.

29       Section 4. Effective October 1, 2022, subsection (4) is  
30 added to section 327.50, Florida Statutes, to read:

31       327.50 Vessel safety regulations; equipment and lighting  
32 requirements.—

33       (4) The operator of a vessel used in the instruction of a  
34 water sport or activity must use an engine cutoff switch and  
35 wear an operative link to the switch when a person participating  
36 in the water sport or activity is in the water.

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**T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T**

Between lines 7 and 8, insert:

s. 327.395, F.S.; requiring certain boating safety education courses and temporary certificate examinations to include specified components; directing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to include such components in boating safety education campaigns and certain educational materials; amending s. 327.50, F.S.; requiring operators of vessels used in the instruction of water sports and activities to use engine cutoff switches and wear operative links to the switches under certain conditions; amending

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