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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Martin) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 160 - 182

and insert:

Section 8. Section 782.072, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

782.072 Vessel homicide.—“Vessel homicide” is the killing of a human being, including the death of an unborn child caused by injury to the mother, by the operation of a vessel as defined in s. 327.02 by another in a reckless manner likely to cause the



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11 death of, or great bodily harm to, another. Vessel homicide is:

12 (1) A felony of the second degree, punishable as provided  
13 in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

14 (2) A felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in  
15 s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if:

16 (a) At the time of the accident, the person knew, or should  
17 have known, that the accident occurred; and

18 (b) The person failed to give information and render aid as  
19 required by s. 327.30(1).

20 (3) As used in this section, the term "unborn child" has  
21 the same meaning as in s. 775.021(5)(e).

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23 This subsection does not require that the person knew that the  
24 accident resulted in injury or death.

25 Section 9. Subsection (2) of section 327.395, Florida  
26 Statutes, is amended to read:

27 327.395 Boating safety education.—

28 (2) While operating a vessel, a person identified under  
29 subsection (1) must have in his or her possession aboard the  
30 vessel photographic identification and a Florida boating safety  
31 identification card issued by the commission; a state-issued  
32 identification card or driver license indicating possession of  
33 the Florida boating safety identification card; or photographic  
34 identification and a temporary certificate issued or approved by  
35 the commission, an International Certificate of Competency, a  
36 boating safety card or certificate from another state or United  
37 States territory, or a Canadian Pleasure Craft Operator Card,  
38 which shows that he or she has:

39 (a) Completed a commission-approved boating safety



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40 education course that meets the minimum requirements established  
41 by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators  
42 interactive course standards;

43 (b) Passed a temporary certificate examination developed or  
44 approved by the commission;

45 (c) A valid International Certificate of Competency; or

46 (d) Completed a boating safety education course or  
47 equivalency examination in another state, a United States  
48 territory, or Canada which meets or exceeds the minimum  
49 requirements established by the National Association of State  
50 Boating Law Administrators.

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52 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

53 And the title is amended as follows:

54 Delete lines 17 - 18

55 and insert:

56 782.072, F.S.; revising the elements of vessel  
57 homicide; defining the term "unborn child"; amending  
58 s. 327.395, F.S.; revising the information that must  
59 be on certain identification cards and certificates  
60 that certain persons are required to have in their  
61 possession while operating a vessel;