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An act relating to watercraft restrictions based on energy source; amending s. 327.75, F.S.; authorizing state agencies, governmental entities, and local governments to restrict the use of a watercraft based on the energy source used to power the watercraft if such watercraft is used on certain bodies of water; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 327.75, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 327.75 Watercraft Energy Source Freedom Act.-
- PROHIBITION ON RESTRICTIONS BASED ON ENERGY SOURCE.
- Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, a state agency, municipality, governmental entity, or county may not restrict the use or sale of a watercraft based on the energy source used to power the watercraft, including an energy source used for propulsion or used for powering other functions of the watercraft.
- (b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to any lake, reservoir, drainage pond, or a detention or retention pond necessary for the preservation or protection of such waters from contamination.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

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