

SCS HCS HB 2116 -- MOTORBOAT REGULATIONS

This bill specifies that the operator of a watercraft that is in violation of the requirements that the watercraft be equipped with a personal flotation device for each person on board shall be guilty of an infraction and fined not more than \$25. The bill also specifies that the owner of any watercraft in violation of the slow-no wake provisions shall be guilty of an infraction and fined not more than \$25. Court costs will not be imposed for these infractions.

The Department of Public Safety shall promulgate rules for no wake coves for class 3 vessels in specified areas.

This bill exempts certain vessels propelled by outboard jet motors and operating on non-impounded waterways from the passenger seating, guard, and rail provisions.