

Amendment No. 349

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 306

(BDR 43-81)

Proposed by: Senate Committee on Natural Resources**Amends:** Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

ASSEMBLY ACTION				Initial and Date	SENATE ACTION				Initial and Date
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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) ***blue bold italics*** is new language in the original bill; (2) ***green bold italic underlining*** is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment; and (6) ***green bold*** is newly added transitory language.

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Date: 4/15/2007

S.B. No. 306—Regulates the operation of a motorboat equipped with an engine cut-off switch. (BDR 43-81)



SENATE BILL NO. 306—SENATOR WASHINGTON (BY REQUEST)

MARCH 19, 2007

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Regulates the operation of a motorboat equipped with an engine cut-off switch. (BDR 43-81)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention Facility.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to watercraft; prohibiting the operation of a motorboat that is equipped with an engine cut-off switch **in excess of a certain rate of speed** if the engine cut-off switch or engine cut-off switch link is missing, disconnected or not operating properly; prohibiting the operation of such a motorboat **in excess of a certain rate of speed** unless the engine cut-off switch link is attached to the body, clothing or personal flotation device of the operator; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law governs the operation of motorboats and other vessels on the waters of this State. (Chapter 488 of NRS) Existing law also provides that any person who violates any of the provisions of chapter 488 of NRS is guilty of a misdemeanor. (NRS 488.950)

This bill establishes safety standards for the operation of motorboats that are equipped with engine cut-off switches. An engine cut-off switch automatically stops the engine of a motorboat if the operator of the motorboat becomes separated from it. The engine cut-off switch is activated by a mechanical or wireless device which serves as a link between the operator and the engine cut-off switch. This bill prohibits a person who owns or controls a motorboat that is equipped with an engine cut-off switch from operating or authorizing another person to operate the motorboat **at a rate of speed greater than 5 nautical miles per hour** if the engine cut-off switch or engine cut-off switch link is missing, disconnected or not operating properly. This bill also prohibits any person from operating such a motorboat **at a rate of speed greater than 5 nautical miles per hour** unless the engine cut-off switch link is attached to his body, clothing or personal flotation device.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 488 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new
2 section to read as follows:

3 1. A person who owns or controls a motorboat that is equipped with an
4 engine cut-off switch shall not operate or authorize another person to operate the
5 motorboat at a rate of speed greater than 5 nautical miles per hour if the engine
6 cut-off switch or engine cut-off switch link is missing, disconnected or not
7 operating properly.

8 2. A person shall not operate a motorboat that is equipped with an engine
9 cut-off switch at a rate of speed greater than 5 nautical miles per hour unless the
10 engine cut-off switch link is attached to his body, clothing or personal flotation
11 device.

12 3. As used in this section:

13 (a) "Engine cut-off switch" means a switch that automatically stops the
14 engine of a motorboat if activated by an engine cut-off switch link.

15 (b) "Engine cut-off switch link" means a device that, if attached to an
16 operator, activates an engine cut-off switch if the operator is separated from the
17 motorboat. The term includes a lanyard or other mechanical device and a
18 wireless cut-off device.

19 (c) "Wireless cut-off device" means an engine cut-off switch link that
20 transmits an electromagnetic signal to an engine cut-off switch.