1   State of Arkansas

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5   By: Senator B. Sample

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7   **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8   AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN OUT-OF-STATE MOTORBOAT OR

9   PERSONAL WATERCRAFT TO HAVE LIABILITY INSURANCE IN

10   ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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13   **Subtitle**

14   TO REQUIRE AN OUT-OF-STATE MOTORBOAT OR

15   PERSONAL WATERCRAFT TO HAVE LIABILITY

16   INSURANCE IN ARKANSAS.

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19   BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21   SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-101-207(a), regarding liability

22   insurance coverage for a motorboat, is amended to read as follows:

23   (a)(1)(A) It shall be unlawful for the owner of a motorboat of more

24   than fifty horsepower (50 HP) or a personal watercraft to allow the operation

25   of the motorboat or personal watercraft unless it is covered by a liability

26   insurance policy ~~which~~ that has been issued by an insurance company

27   ~~authorized to do business in this state~~.

28   (B) The insurance policy must provide at least fifty

29   thousand dollars ($50,000) of liability coverage per occurrence.

30   (2) This section ~~shall~~ does not apply to~~:~~

31   ~~(A) A~~ a motorboat or personal watercraft owned by the

32   United States, a state government, or any political subdivision thereof~~; or~~

33   ~~(B) A motorboat or personal watercraft registered in~~

34   ~~another state~~.

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36   SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-101-207(b)(1)(A), regarding failure to

1 present liability insurance coverage for a motorboat, is amended to read as

2 follows:

3   (b)(1)(A) Failure to present proof of liability insurance coverage

4 ~~when requested by a law enforcement officer~~ <u>if the motorboat or personal</u>

5 <u>watercraft is involved in an accident</u> creates a rebuttable presumption that

6 the motorboat or the personal watercraft is uninsured.

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