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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 560

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## 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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## Subtitle

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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~~ if the motorboat or personal  
5 watercraft is involved in an accident creates a rebuttable presumption that  
6 the motorboat or the personal watercraft is uninsured.

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