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2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 358

- May 31, 2017 Introduced by Representatives TITL, BRANDTJEN, FELZKOWSKI, FIELDS, JARCHOW, KLEEFISCH, KULP, STEFFEN and THIESFELDT, cosponsored by Senators TIFFANY, LASEE and LEMAHIEU. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Sporting Heritage.
- 1 AN ACT *to amend* 30.62 (3) (a); and *to create* 30.62 (3) (c) of the statutes; 2 relating to: use of a personal flotation device on a stand-up paddleboard.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill provides that the personal flotation device requirements under current law do not apply to a stand-up paddleboard with respect to any person on the board who is 18 years of age or older. This bill defines "stand-up paddleboard" to mean a buoyant board designed to be manually propelled on water by a person paddling from a standing or kneeling position.

Under current law, every boat is required to carry at least one personal flotation device for each person on board or being attended by the boat.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 30.62 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
30.62 (3) (a) Every boat, except a sailboard and except as provided in par. pars.
(b) and (c), shall carry at least one personal flotation device prescribed by federal
regulations <u>33 CFR part 175</u> for each person on board or being attended by the boat,
so placed as to be readily accessible and available to the persons.

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1	SECTION 2. 30.62 (3) (c) of the statutes is created to read:
2	30.62 (3) (c) 1. In this paragraph, "stand-up paddleboard" means a buoyant
3	board designed to be manually propelled on water by a person paddling from a
4	standing or kneeling position.
5	2. Paragraph (a) does not apply to a stand-up paddleboard with respect to any
6	person on board who is 18 years of age or older.
7	SECTION 3. Initial applicability.
8	(1) This act first applies to a stand-up paddleboard, as defined in section 30.62
9	(3) (c) 1. of the statutes, used on the effective date of this subsection.
10	(END)