HOUSE BILL No. 4802

May 10, 1989, Introduced by Reps. Gubow, DeBeaussaert, DeMars, Muxlow, Leland, Joe Young, Jr., Rocca, Hoffman and Kosteva and referred to the Committee on Marine Affairs and Port Development.

A bill to amend section 31 of Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of 1967, entitled as amended

"Marine safety act,"

as amended by Act No. 56 of the Public Acts of 1988, being section 281.1031 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 31 of Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of
- 2 1967, as amended by Act No. 56 of the Public Acts of 1988, being
- 3 section 281.1031 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 31. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, a
- 6 person shall not operate or give permission for the operation of
- 7 a vessel of any length on the waters of this state unless the
- 8 fees prescribed in section 33 for the vessel are paid, the
- 9 certificate of number assigned to the vessel is on board and is

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- I in full force and effect, and the identifying number and decal
- 2 are displayed on each side of the forward half of the vessel in
- 3 accordance with this act and the rules promulgated by the
- 4 commission. HOWEVER, FOR AN INFLATABLE BOAT THE DECAL MAY BE
- 5 DISPLAYED ON THE TRANSOM OF THE BOAT.
- 6 (2) When a vessel is actually numbered in another state of
- 7 principal use in accordance with a federally approved numbering
- 8 system, it shall be considered to be in compliance with the num-
- 9 bering requirements of this state while it is temporarily being
- 10 used in this state. This subsection -shall apply APPLIES to a
- 11 vessel for which a valid temporary certificate is issued to its
- 12 owner by the issuing authority of the state in which the vessel
- 13 is principally used.
- (3) When a vessel is removed to this state as the new state
- 15 of principal use, a number awarded by any other issuing authority
- 16 shall be recognized as valid for not more than 60 days before
- 17 numbering is required by this state.