

HOUSE BILL No. 5691

May 25, 2016, Introduced by Reps. Rendon, Goike, Johnson, Cole, Potvin, McBroom, Aaron Miller, Forlini, Smiley and Dianda and referred to the Committee on Tourism and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending section 80123 (MCL 324.80123), as added by 1995 PA 58.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 80123. (1) The owner of a vessel is not required to pay a
2 fee and a vessel is not required to be numbered and to display a
3 decal under this part if the vessel is 1 or more of the following:

4 (a) Used temporarily on the waters of this state and the owner
5 and the vessel are from a country other than the United States.

6 (b) ~~A vessel that is owned~~ **OWNED** by the United States, used in
7 the public service for purposes other than recreation, and clearly
8 identifiable as such a vessel.

9 (c) A vessel's lifeboat.

(d) An all-terrain vehicle not used as a vessel.

(e) A raft, sailboard, surfboard, or swim float.

(f) ~~A vessel 16~~ **ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:**

(i) **SIXTEEN** feet or less ~~, propelled~~ **IN LENGTH.**

(ii) **PROPELLED** by hand ~~either with oars or paddles , and not~~ **OR
BY A PORTABLE ELECTRIC MOTOR RATED AT 100 POUNDS OF THRUST OR LESS.**

(iii) **NOT** used for rental or other commercial purposes.

(g) A nonmotorized canoe or kayak not used for rental or other commercial purposes.

(2) The owner of a vessel documented by the United States coast guard or a federal agency that is the successor to the United States coast guard shall comply with this part, including the payment of fees as provided in this part. However, the vessel ~~shall~~ **IS** not ~~be~~ required to display numbers under this part.

(3) This part does not prohibit the numbering of an undocumented vessel pursuant to this part upon request by the owner, even though the vessel is exempt from the numbering requirements of this part.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect upon the expiration of 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.