HOUSE BILL No. 5739

April 6, 1992, Introduced by Reps. Hoffman and Bartnik and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Fisheries and Wildlife.

A bill to amend section 62 of Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of 1967, entitled as amended

"Marine safety act,"

as amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1991, being section 281.1062 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Section 1. Section 62 of Act No. 303 of the Public Acts of
- 2 1967, as amended by Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1991, being
- 3 section 281.1062 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 62. (1) Except as otherwise provided in
- 6 subsection (4), a person less than 12 years of age shall not
- 7 operate a motorboat on the waters of this state unless each of
- 8 the following conditions is met:

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- (a) He or she is under the direct supervision of a person ON
 BOARD THE MOTORBOAT WHO IS 16 years of age or older.
- 3 (b) The motor boat he or she operates is powered by a motor4 or motors totaling no more than 35 horsepower.
- 5 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4), a person 6 12 through 15 years of age may operate a motorboat on the waters
- 7 of this state only if that person complies with either of the
- 8 following:
- 9 (a) He or she is accompanied by at least 1 person 16 years10 of age or older.
- (b) He or she is in possession of a boating safety certifi-
- 12 cate issued after he or she has satisfactorily completed a
- 13 department approved course in boating safety.
- 14 (3) A person 12 through 15 years of age operating a motor-
- 15 boat -without the supervision of a person 16 years of age or
- 16 older PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2)(B) shall present the boating
- 17 safety certificate issued to that person HIM OR HER upon THE
- 18 demand of any peace officer.

- (4) This section does not apply to the operation of a motor-
- 20 boat that is powered by a motor or motors totaling no more than 6
- 21 horsepower.