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Senate Bill 1278 (Substitute S-2 as reported)  
Sponsor: Senator Patricia L. Birkholz  
Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Part 801 (Marine Safety) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to prohibit a person from operating an airboat within 450 feet of a residence between 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. at a speed exceeding that required to maintain forward movement.

The prohibition would not apply to the operation of an airboat in any of the following situations: in an emergency when necessary to protect public safety; in the event the airboat had run aground and needed to be freed; or for a governmental purpose, if the airboat were clearly marked and identified as being used for a governmental purpose.

These provisions would be repealed May 1, 2007.

The bill would define "airboat" as a motorboat that is propelled, wholly or in part, by a propeller projecting above the water surface.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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