

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4199

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
(MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 41325.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 41325. (1) A PERSON SHALL NOT PLACE A BOAT, BOATING
2 EQUIPMENT, OR BOAT TRAILER IN THE WATERS OF THIS STATE IF THE BOAT,
3 BOATING EQUIPMENT, OR BOAT TRAILER HAS AN AQUATIC PLANT ATTACHED.

4 (2) A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER MAY ORDER THE OWNER OR OPERATOR
5 OF A BOAT, BOATING EQUIPMENT, OR BOAT TRAILER TO REMOVE AQUATIC
6 PLANTS FROM THE BOAT, BOATING EQUIPMENT, OR BOAT TRAILER. THE OWNER
7 OR OPERATOR SHALL OBEY SUCH AN ORDER.

8 (3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE A NOTICE THAT CONTAINS A
9 SUMMARY OF SUBSECTIONS (1), (2), (4), (5), AND (6) AND SHALL MAKE
10 COPIES OF THE NOTICE AVAILABLE TO OWNERS OF PUBLIC BOATING ACCESS

1 SITES. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE THE NOTICE IN RELEVANT
2 DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS AND POST THE NOTICE ON ITS WEBSITE.

3 (4) THE OWNER OF A PUBLIC BOATING ACCESS SITE SHALL POST AND
4 MAINTAIN THE NOTICE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3).

5 (5) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (1), (2), OR (4) IS
6 RESPONSIBLE FOR A STATE CIVIL INFRACTION AND MAY BE ORDERED TO PAY
7 A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$100.00.

8 (6) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:

9 (A) "AQUATIC PLANT" MEANS A SUBMERGENT, EMERGENT, OR FLOATING-
10 LEAF PLANT OR A FRAGMENT OR SEED THEREOF. AQUATIC PLANT DOES NOT
11 INCLUDE WILD RICE (ZIZANIA AQUATICA).

12 (B) "BOAT" MEANS A VESSEL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 80104, AND
13 "BOATING" HAS A CORRESPONDING MEANING.