



State of Wisconsin  
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## 2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 358

May 31, 2017 - Introduced by Representatives TITTL, BRANDTJEN, FELZKOWSKI, FIELDS, JARCHOW, KLEEFISCH, KULP, STEFFEN and THIESFELDT, cosponsored by Senators TIFFANY, LASEE and LEMAHIEU. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Sporting Heritage.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 30.62 (3) (a); and *to create* 30.62 (3) (c) of the statutes;  
2           **relating to:** use of a personal flotation device on a stand-up paddleboard.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill provides that the personal flotation device requirements under current law do not apply to a stand-up paddleboard with respect to any person on the board who is 18 years of age or older. This bill defines “stand-up paddleboard” to mean a buoyant board designed to be manually propelled on water by a person paddling from a standing or kneeling position.

Under current law, every boat is required to carry at least one personal flotation device for each person on board or being attended by the boat.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

3           **SECTION 1.** 30.62 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:  
4           30.62 (3) (a) Every boat, except a sailboard and except as provided in ~~par.~~ pars.  
5           (b) and (c), shall carry at least one personal flotation device prescribed by federal  
6           regulations 33 CFR part 175 for each person on board or being attended by the boat,  
7           so placed as to be readily accessible and available to the persons.

