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## **2005 SENATE BILL 49**

February 8, 2005 – Introduced by Senators Breske, Risser, A. Lasee, Wirch, Roessler and Lassa, cosponsored by Representatives Ott, Musser, Hines, Freese, Hahn, Lehman, Staskunas, Albers, Townsend and Sheridan. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation.

- AN ACT to repeal 30.715 (4) (c); and to amend 30.715 (3) and 30.715 (4) (d) of
- the statutes; **relating to:** removal of zebra mussels from boats, boat trailers,

and boating equipment.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, no person may place or use a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment in the Lower St. Croix River if the person has reason to believe that the boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment has zebra mussels attached. This bill prohibits a person from placing or using a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment in any navigable water if the person has reason to believe that the boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment has zebra mussels attached.

Currently, a law enforcement officer can order a person to remove zebra mussels from a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment before placing the boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment in the Lower St. Croix River. In addition, current law allows a law enforcement officer to order a person to remove or not place a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment in a navigable water if the officer has reason to believe that the boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment has zebra mussels attached.

The bill allows a law enforcement officer to order a person to remove zebra mussels from a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment or to order a person to remove a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment from or not place a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment in any navigable water if the officer has reason to believe the boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment has zebra mussels attached.

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For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

**Section 1.** 30.715 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

30.715 (3) No person may place or use a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment or place a boat trailer in the Lower St. Croix River in a navigable water if the person has reason to believe that the boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment has zebra mussels attached.

**Section 2.** 30.715 (4) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 3.** 30.715 (4) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

30.715 (4) (d) Remove <u>zebra mussels from a boat, boat trailer, or boating</u> equipment or remove a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment from or not place a boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment in a navigable water if the law enforcement officer has reason to believe that the boat, boat trailer, or boating equipment has zebra mussels attached.

13 (END)