

CHAPTER 387

AN ACT to amend 30.52 (3), (4) and (6) and 30.53 of the statutes, relating to the regulation of boats.

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

SECTION 1. 30.52 (3), (4) and (6) of the statutes are amended to read:

30.52 (3) A fee of ~~\$3~~ \$3.25 shall be paid to the commission for the issuance of a certificate of number or renewal thereof valid for the whole or any part of a numbering period, subject to the following exceptions:

(a) If the boat has not previously been numbered in this state or was last previously numbered pursuant to federal law or a federally approved numbering system of another state, the fee shall be ~~\$2~~ \$2.25 if 2 years or less, but more than one year, remains of the numbering period at the time application is received and ~~\$1~~ \$1.25 if one year or less remains of the numbering period.

(b) For issuance of a certificate of number to the new owner upon transfer of ownership of a boat numbered in this state, the fee shall be ~~\$1~~ \$1.25 if the certificate is issued for the remainder of the numbering period for which the previous certificate was issued.

(c) A person owning or otherwise holding 3 or more boats ready for hire generally or ready to let in connection with the operation of resort facilities or guide services may, at his option, pay a flat fee of \$5 plus ~~50~~ 75 cents per boat for obtaining or renewing certificates of number for such boats in lieu of the fee which otherwise would be payable.

(4) Upon receipt of a proper application accompanied by the required fee, the commission shall issue to the applicant a certificate of number stating the number awarded, the name and address of the owner and such other information as the commission deems necessary. The certificate of number shall be pocket size *and of durable water resistant material*. A number shall be awarded to a particular boat unless the owner is a manufacturer of or dealer in boats, motors or trailers, and desires to use the number on his boats only while being tested or demonstrated or while being used for the purpose of testing or demonstrating a motor or trailer.

(6) If a certificate of number is lost or destroyed the owner may apply for a duplicate. Such application shall be made upon a form designated by the commission and shall be accompanied by a fee of ~~\$1~~ \$1.25. Upon receipt of a proper application and the required fee, the commission shall issue a duplicate certificate to the owner.

SECTION 2. 30.53 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

30.53 (2) The certificate of number ~~or a metal or plastic plate facsimile of the certificate of number~~, shall be available at all times for inspection on the boat for which issued, whenever such boat is in use, unless the commission determines the boat is of such size or type as to make the retention of same on the boat impractical.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect April 1, 1966.

Approved November 18, 1965.