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AN ACT to create 30.81 of the statutes, relating to local regulations on icebound inland lake waters.

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

30.81 of the statutes is created to read:

30.81 LOCAL REGULATIONS ON ICEBOUND INLAND WATERS.

(1) LOCAL ORDINANCES. Any town, village or city may by ordinance, in the interest of public health or safety, adopt local regulations not inconsistent with this chapter, relative to the use or operation of boats and other craft, including motor vehicles, on icebound inland lakes, but no such local regulation is valid unless each town, village and city having jurisdiction over any portion of the lake has enacted an identical local regulation. When such identical local regulations have been enacted, the regulation of any individual town, village or city is in effect on the entire lake, and any law enforcement officer of any such town, village or city shall have the powers of sheriff in enforcing such regulation on any portion of the lake, whether or not such portion of the lake is within the municipality's jurisdiction for other purposes.

(2) COUNTY ORDINANCES. Any county may by ordinance, in the interest of public health or safety, adopt local regulations not inconsistent with this chapter, relative to the use or operation of boats and other craft, including motor vehicles, on any of the icebound inland waters over which it has jurisdiction, except inland icebound lakes which are regulated by valid local ordinances enacted pursuant to sub. (1).

(3) LIABILITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT. All traffic on icebound, inland waters shall be at the risk of the traveler. An ordinance by any municipality or county enacted under this section permitting traffic on icebound inland waters subject to regulations which may be imposed in accordance with this section shall not render the municipality or county adopting such ordinance liable for any accident to those engaged in permitted traffic while said ordinance is in effect.

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