



## 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.

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

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### *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.

