

2007 SENATE BILL 481

February 12, 2008 – Introduced by Senator GROTHMAN, cosponsored by Representatives GOTTLIEB, BERCEAU and TOWNSEND. Referred to Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 30.77 (3) (f) of the statutes; **relating to:** fees to support water
2 safety patrols.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law authorizes a municipality, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, or town sanitary district to charge boat operators a reasonable fee for the use of a public boat launching facility that the municipality or district owns or operates.

This bill authorizes a municipality, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, or town sanitary district to charge a boat operator who is using a public boat launching facility that the municipality or district owns or operates an additional fee to support a water safety patrol that the municipality or district operates. The fee may not exceed 20 percent of the fee for daily resident vehicle admission to a state park.

For further information see the *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:

3 **SECTION 1.** 30.77 (3) (f) of the statutes is created to read:
4 30.77 (3) (f) Notwithstanding the prohibition in sub. (1) (b) against ordinances
5 or local regulations that exclude any boat from the free use of the waters of the state,

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1 a municipality, a public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, or a town
2 sanitary district that has in effect an ordinance under par. (am) may charge a boat
3 operator using a public boat launching facility that the municipality or district owns
4 or operates a fee, of not more than 20 percent of the amount specified in s. 27.01 (7)
5 (f) 2., for the municipality's or district's costs of operating or maintaining a water
6 safety patrol unit, as defined in s. 30.79 (1) (b). The fee under this paragraph may
7 be charged in addition to any fee authorized to be charged under par. (e) 1. a.

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