

1983 Senate Bill 519

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1983 Wisconsin Act 324

AN ACT to create 134.34 of the statutes, relating to prohibiting copying of vessel hulls and parts by direct molding.

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

SECTION 1. 134.34 of the statutes is created to read:

134.34 Duplication of vessel hulls and parts. (1) In this section:

(a) "Direct molding process" means any direct molding process in which the original manufactured vessel hull or component part of a vessel is itself used as a plug for the making of the mold, which is then used to manufacture a duplicate item.

(b) "Mold" means a matrix or form in which a substance or material is shaped.

(c) "Plug" means a device or model used to make a mold for the purpose of exact duplication.

(2) No person may use the direct molding process to duplicate for the purpose of sale a manufactured vessel hull or component part of a vessel made by another person without the written permission of that other person.

(3) No person may knowingly sell a vessel hull or component part of a vessel duplicated in violation of sub. (2).

(4) This section applies only to vessel hulls or component parts of vessels duplicated using a mold made after June 30, 1983.

(5) A person who suffers injury or damage as the result of a violation of this section may bring an action in circuit court for an injunction prohibiting the violation. In addition, the person shall be entitled to actual damages incurred as a result of the violation, reasonable attorney fees and costs, notwithstanding s. 814.04 (1).
