**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 50‑25‑1320 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON LAKE WILLIAM C. BOWEN, TO REVISE THE MOTOR RESTRICTIONS ON THE LAKE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 50‑25‑1320 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 50‑25‑1320. On Lake William C. Bowen:

(1) No boat, watercraft, or any other type of vessel with an outboard motor having a horsepower rating in excess of ~~one hundred fifteen~~ one hundred seventy-five horsepower is permitted.

(2) No boat, watercraft, or any other type of vessel with an outboard motor in excess of the United States Coast Guard rating, with Coast Guard rating plate missing or changed, is permitted.

(3) No boat, watercraft, or any other type of vessel powered by an outdrive or inboard motor having an engine automotive horsepower rating in excess of ~~one hundred ninety~~ two hundred fifty horsepower is permitted. This restriction does not apply to towboats which have been approved by the American Waterski Association or any Coast Guard approved boat commonly referred to as an inboard boat designed by the manufacturer for towing waterskiers with the motor or engine located near the midpoint of the boat between the bow and stern, propeller driven by a single rod drive shaft extending through the hull with the propeller located under the boat in front of a rudder.

(4) There is no minimum or maximum restriction on length of boats, watercraft, or any other type of vessel. Boats, watercraft, and other vessels operated for law enforcement, emergency medical services, or dam maintenance and repair are exempted from the restrictions in items (1) and (3) of this section.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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