

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 456

BY ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE INVASIVE SPECIES FUND; AMENDING SECTION 67-7008A, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING FEES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 67-7008A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

67-7008A. ADDITIONAL FEES -- DEPOSIT INTO INVASIVE SPECIES FUND. (1) The intent of the provisions of this section is to more equitably impose invasive species fees on those vessels that are the greatest risk to Idaho waterways. In addition to any other moneys or fees collected pursuant to the provisions of section 67-7008, Idaho Code, or any other provision of chapter 70, title 67, Idaho Code, ~~all~~ certain vessels shall pay an additional fee each calendar year as follows:

(a) Motorized vessels and sailboats:

(i) ~~Ten Five~~ dollars (\$105.00) per vessel numbered in the state of Idaho prior to launch into the public waters of the state;

(ii) ~~Thirty Eighty-five~~ dollars (\$3085.00) per vessel documented through the United States coast guard or registered or numbered outside the state of Idaho prior to launch into the public waters of the state; ~~and~~

(iii) In addition to the fee set forth in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, seventy dollars (\$70.00) per vessel documented through the United States coast guard or registered or numbered outside the state of Idaho with one (1) or more ballast tanks or with a registered hull length of twenty-one (21) feet or greater.

(b) Nonmotorized vessels: ~~Seven dollars (\$7.00) per vessel prior to launch into the public waters of the state~~ With the exception of nonmotorized sailboats, there is no fee or invasive species sticker required for resident and nonresident nonmotorized vessels.

(c) Licensed outfitters, as defined in section 36-2102 (b), Idaho Code, with nonmotorized fleets exceeding five (5) vessels shall be afforded a prorated group rate of thirty-two dollars (\$32.00) for six (6) to ten (10) vessels; fifty-seven dollars (\$57.00) for eleven (11) to twenty (20) vessels; and one hundred two dollars (\$102) for twenty-one (21) or more vessels up to a maximum of one hundred (100) vessels. The fee for any additional vessels shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per vessel. The licensed outfitter group rates shall also be available for groups exempt from licensing pursuant to section 36-2103, Idaho Code.

(2) Upon payment of the fee as provided in this section, the payor shall be issued a protection against invasive species sticker that shall be displayed on the vessel in a manner as prescribed by the rules of the department.

1 Stickers shall be considered in full force and effect through December 31 of
2 the year of issue.

3 (3) Fees shall be collected by the department or authorized vendor.

4 (a) Vendors may retain one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) of fees col-
5 lected pursuant to this section except those collected pursuant to sub-
6 section (1) (a) (i) of this section.

7 (b) The department shall retain up to twenty percent (20%) of the fees
8 for the actual costs of administering the sticker program.

9 (c) All remaining fees collected pursuant to this section shall be de-
10 posited in the invasive species fund established in section 22-1911,
11 Idaho Code.

12 (d) For the purpose of this section, "vessel" is defined in section
13 67-7003(22), Idaho Code. All vessels are subject to the provisions of
14 this section, with the exception of ~~small rafts and other inflatable~~
15 ~~vessels less than ten (10) feet in length~~ vessels excluded under subsec-
16 tion (1) (b) of this section.

17 (4) If the protection against invasive species sticker is lost, stolen
18 or destroyed, any sticker remnants shall be returned to the department along
19 with a three-dollar (\$3.00) fee for a duplicate sticker.

20 (5) A person engaged in the manufacture or sale of vessels may obtain
21 a sticker to be used in the testing or demonstration only of vessels by tem-
22 porary placement of the protection against invasive species sticker on the
23 vessel tested or demonstrated.

24 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
25 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after
26 July 1, 2022.