



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 307

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Substitute House Bill No. 5613

House of Representatives, March 29, 2004

The Committee on Environment reported through REP. WIDLITZ of the 98th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING BOATING NOISE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (m) of section 15-129 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (m) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) of this
5 section shall have committed an infraction. Any person who violates
6 the provisions of any other subsection of this section [or who fails to
7 comply with a request or direction of an officer made pursuant to
8 subsection (e) of this section] shall be fined not less than one hundred
9 dollars nor more than five hundred dollars. Any person who fails to
10 comply with a request or direction of an officer made pursuant to
11 subsection (e) of this section shall be fined not less than five hundred
12 fifty dollars nor more than seven hundred fifty dollars.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>

ENV *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 04 \$	FY 05 \$	FY 06 \$
Judicial Dept.	GF - Revenue Gain	Less than 5,000	Less than 5,000	Less than 5,000

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill increases the fine to between \$550 and \$750 (from \$100 to \$500) for any person who fails to comply with a request or direction by an officer to submit a motorboat to an on-site test to measure noise levels. Any revenue gain is anticipated to be minimal since there are relatively few violations of the existing prohibition against operating a motorboat in excess of established noise levels (there was one such offense filed with the clerk of the court in FY 03.)

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The bill increases the fee for refusing to submit to a motor boat noise test from between \$100 and \$500 to between \$550 and \$750.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 27 Nay 0