

Release
to U. S.

SEC. 11. In the event that the United States accepts said canals, the canal commission is hereby authorized to release said canals unto the United States and to have no further authority, responsibility or liability in connection therewith.

Appropriation.

SEC. 12. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, there is hereby appropriated from the general fund, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Effective immediately.

SEC. 13. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate February 25, 1933.

Passed the House March 1, 1933.

Approved by the Governor March 8, 1933.

CHAPTER 72.

[H. B. 49.]

MOTOR BOATS.

AN ACT relating to and regulating the use and operation of motor driven boats and vessels on waters over which the State of Washington has police jurisdiction, and providing penalties for violation thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

"Darkness."

SECTION 1. "Darkness" is herein defined to be that period between one-half hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise.

"Waters."

"Waters," as used herein, are defined as any lake, pond or other body of water.

"Motor driven boats and vessels."

"Motor driven boats and vessels" are defined herein as all boats and vessels which are self propelled.

SEC. 2. Every person operating or driving a motor propelled boat or vessel on any waters in the state, shall drive the same in a careful and prudent manner at a rate of speed no greater than is reasonable and proper under the conditions existing at the point of operation, taking into account the amount and character of traffic, size of the lake or body of water, freedom from obstruction to view ahead and so as not to unduly or unreasonably endanger life, limb, property or other rights of any person entitled to the use of such waters.

Motor boats,
operation of.

SEC. 3. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive any motor propelled boat or vessel on any such waters without a white light during the hours of darkness, distinctly visible under clear weather conditions for a distance of at least three hundred (300) feet.

Lights.

SEC. 4. All such motor driven boats or vessels shall use a muffler or other similar device to reduce the sound of exhaust.

Muffler.

SEC. 5. Every motor driven boat operating on any such waters and carrying passengers for hire or leased for hire, shall have a life preserver or life float for each passenger said boat or vessel has capacity to carry, placed or attached in such manner as to be convenient for use.

Carriers
for hire.

Life pre-
server.

SEC. 6. Any violation of the provisions of this act shall be a misdemeanor.

Violation.

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