

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 45th Legislature (1995)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1990

By: Satterfield

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to public health and safety; amending 63 O.S. 1991, Section 4210, as amended by Section 43, Chapter 284, O.S.L. 1992 (63 O.S. Supp. 1994, Section 4210), which relates to reckless operation of a vessel; clarifying language; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 1991, Section 4210, as amended by Section 43, Chapter 284, O.S.L. 1992 (63 O.S. Supp. 1994, Section 4210), is amended to read as follows:

Section 4210. A. No person shall operate or give permission to operate any vessel or manipulate or give permission to manipulate any parasails, water skis, surfboard, or similar device in a reckless or negligent manner so as to endanger the life or property of any person.

B. No person shall operate or give permission to operate any vessel on any waters of this state, except privately owned waters, while the operator is under the influence of alcohol or any substance included in the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act, Section 2-104 et seq. of this title.

C. Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency vessel making use of an audible or a visual signal or a combination thereof, the operator of every other vessel shall immediately stop ~~his or her~~ the operator's vessel whenever or wherever practical or otherwise yield the right-of-way until such authorized emergency vessel has passed, except when otherwise directed by a duly authorized peace officer of this state.

D. No person shall overload or give permission to overload a vessel with persons or gear so as to exceed the posted capacity plate or to exceed United States Coast Guard standards.

E. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall constitute a negligent act in the operation of the vessel or motor or parasails.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1995.

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