

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the production and use of an instructional video on
3 recreational water safety.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 12, Parks and Wildlife
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 12.012 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 12.012. RECREATIONAL WATER SAFETY VIDEO. (a) The
8 department shall produce a video suitable for use with high school
9 students on recreational water safety. The video must include
10 instruction on safe participation in recreational activities in,
11 on, or around the lakes, rivers, and coastal waters of this state.

12 (b) The department shall notify the Texas Education Agency
13 in writing when the recreational water safety video is available
14 for the agency's use.

15 (c) The department may edit the content of the recreational
16 water safety video to produce a boater education video that
17 complies with federal standards for boating education courses
18 published by the National Association of State Boating Law
19 Administrators.

20 SECTION 2. Subchapter Z, Chapter 29, Education Code, is
21 amended by adding Section 29.9021 to read as follows:

22 Sec. 29.9021. WATER SAFETY EDUCATION. The agency by rule
23 shall incorporate a curriculum module on recreational water safety
24 into driver education instruction using the video on recreational

1 water safety produced under Section 12.012, Parks and Wildlife
2 Code, when the agency is notified that the video is available.

3 SECTION 3. The Parks and Wildlife Department shall produce
4 the recreational water safety video described by Section 12.012,
5 Parks and Wildlife Code, as added by this Act, as soon as production
6 costs can be paid from money identified as available for that
7 purpose in the department's operating budget.

8 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
9 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
10 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
11 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
12 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

Stephen Rogers
President of the Senate

Joe Straus
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 673 was passed by the House on May 5, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 132, Nays 8, 2 present, not voting.

Robert Haney
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 673 was passed by the Senate on May 25, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Rick Perry
Governor

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