

# HB4775



## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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**HB4775**

Introduced 1/12/2010, by Rep. Lou Lang

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 45/4-11

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 314-11

Amends the Boat Registration and Safety Act. Provides that no person may operate any motorboat equipped with an engine cut-off switch while the engine is running and the motorboat is underway without verifying that the engine cut-off switch is operational and fully-functional and attaching the engine cut-off switch link to the operator or activating the wireless cut-off system (rather than only requiring that a lanyard engine cut-off switch be attached to the operator on motorboats equipped with a lanyard cut-off switch). Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Boat Registration and Safety Act is amended  
5 by changing Section 4-11 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 45/4-11) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 314-11)

7 Sec. 4-11. Engine ~~Lanyard~~ cut-off switch.

8 (a) As used in this Section:

9 "Engine cut-off switch link" means the lanyard or wireless  
10 cut-off device used to attach the motorboat operator to the  
11 engine cut-off switch installed on the motorboat.

12 "Engine cut-off switch" means an operational emergency  
13 cut-off engine stop switch installed on a motorboat that  
14 attaches to a motorboat operator by an engine cut-off switch  
15 link.

16 (b) No person may operate any motor boat, including  
17 personal watercraft or specialty prop-craft, ~~which is~~ equipped  
18 with ~~an a lanyard type~~ engine cut-off switch while the engine  
19 is running and the motorboat is underway without verifying that  
20 the engine cut-off switch is operational and fully-functional  
21 and:

22 (1) the engine cut-off switch link is properly attached  
23 to his or her person, clothing or worn PFD, as appropriate

1           for the specific vessel; or

2           (2) activating the wireless cut-off system.

3 ~~unless such lanyard is properly attached to his or her person,~~  
4 ~~clothing or worn PFD, as appropriate for the specific vessel.~~

5           (Source: P.A. 87-798.)

6           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
7 becoming law.