

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 777

## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES DENISON (Sponsor),  
GRISAMORE AND WRIGHT (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To repeal section 306.220, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to water safety, with an existing penalty provision.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 306.220, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 306.220, to read as follows:

306.220. Each person under the age of [seven] **sixteen** who is on board any watercraft which is on the waters of this state shall wear a personal flotation device which is approved by the United States Coast Guard. Any person who allows a person under the age of [seven] **sixteen** to be on board any watercraft which is on the waters of this state without wearing a personal flotation device shall be deemed guilty of a class C misdemeanor. This section does not apply when the person under the age of [seven] **sixteen** is in a part of a watercraft which is fully enclosed, where such enclosure will prevent such person from falling out of or being thrown from the watercraft.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.