

HB 2797 -- ELECTRIC SHOCK DROWNING PREVENTION

SPONSOR: Hummel

This bill requires all vessels operated by the State Water Patrol to be equipped with an automatic external defibrillator and staffed by at least one person trained by the American Red Cross, American Heart Association, or an equivalent nationally recognized course in the use of such equipment and in cardiopulmonary resuscitation. All water patrol officers shall be trained in rescuing victims of electrocution injuries around marinas and boat docks and the use of external defibrillator devices on such victims.

This bill creates the "Alexandra and Brayden Anderson Electric Shock Drowning Prevention Act." Beginning July 1, 2018, any individual or entity that owns a body of water in Missouri with a boat dock or marina that is equipped with electrical power must be in compliance with proper safety standards, including reporting and policy creating, as specified in the bill. Violations of this section shall be subject to fines and penalties specified in the bill.