

Second Regular Session of the 124th General Assembly (2026)

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## HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1062

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AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. IC 14-8-2-222 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 222. "Public freshwater lake", for purposes of **IC 14-15-3 and IC 14-26-2**, has the meaning set forth in IC 14-26-2-3.

SECTION 2. IC 14-8-2-301.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 301.1. "Wake boarding" means to:**

- (1) use a short board with or without foot bindings on which a rider is towed by a motorboat across a wake; or**
- (2) operate a motorboat that creates a wake and that tows or is intended to tow a person who uses a short board with or without foot bindings on which the person is towed by the motorboat across the motorboat's wake.**

SECTION 3. IC 14-8-2-301.4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 301.4. "Wake surfing" means to:**

- (1) surf a wake, regardless of whether the person is being pulled by a tow rope attached to the motorboat that is producing the wake; or**
- (2) operate a motorboat that creates a wake that is or is**

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**intended to be surfed by another person.**

SECTION 4. IC 14-15-3-8.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 8.1. An individual shall not operate a motorboat on a public freshwater lake for the purpose of wake boarding or wake surfing during the period between sunset and sunrise.**

SECTION 5. IC 14-15-3-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 10. (a)** Subject to section 11 of this chapter, a person may not operate a motorboat upon a small lake at a speed greater than ten (10) miles per hour.

**(b) An individual may not operate a motorboat upon a small lake while engaging in wake boarding or wake surfing unless it is during the time and day of a speed exemption granted for the small lake under section 11 of this chapter.**

SECTION 6. IC 14-15-3-11.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 11.1. A rule adopted under section 11 of this chapter before July 1, 2026, applies to wake boarding and wake surfing.**

SECTION 7. IC 14-15-3-31, AS AMENDED BY P.L.195-2014, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 31. (a)** A person who violates section 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, **8.1**, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, or 30 of this chapter commits a Class C infraction.

**(b)** A person who knowingly or intentionally violates section 6 of this chapter commits a Class C misdemeanor.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President of the Senate

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President Pro Tempore

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Governor of the State of Indiana

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