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By:  Stucky H.B. No. 2499

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2499:

By:  Morales of Harris C.S.H.B. No. 2499

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the wearing of a personal flotation device while being towed behind a motorboat or while engaged in water sports in or on the wake of a motorboat; creating a criminal offense.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 31.066, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f)  A person may not operate a motorboat unless each person towed behind the motorboat or engaged in water sports in or on the motorboat's wake is wearing a wearable personal flotation device of the sort prescribed by the commandant of the Coast Guard.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.