

ENROLLED ACT NO. 13, SENATE

SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2022 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to aquatic invasive species; providing for mandatory aquatic invasive species checks for persons who have previously failed to have a conveyance inspection as specified; providing a criminal penalty; requiring rulemaking; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 23-4-203 by creating a new subsection (k) is amended to read:

23-4-203. Enforcement.

(k) Any person who is lawfully stopped by a peace officer and is subsequently discovered to have failed to have a conveyance inspected as required under subsection (b) of this section, shall report to an authorized check station within forty-eight (48) hours of being stopped to have the conveyance inspected for aquatic invasive species and shall not enter Wyoming waters until the conveyance is inspected. Notwithstanding the penalty imposed under W.S. 23-4-205(a), any person who fails to report to a check station within forty-eight (48) hours as required by this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) and may be prohibited from operating any watercraft on any of the waterways of this state for not more than three (3) years. Any person who operates any watercraft while prohibited from doing so under this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided in W.S. 23-6-202(a)(v).

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Section 2. This act is effective January 1, 2023.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk