

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 118th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1997

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Legislative Document

No. 208

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S.P. 69

In Senate, January 16, 1997

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**An Act to Limit Personal Watercraft.**

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Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, SPEAR of Nobleboro, USHER of Westbrook.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §685-C, sub-§10** is enacted to read:

6 10. Personal watercraft prohibited. A person may not  
8 operate a personal watercraft on any water body that is entirely  
10 within the jurisdiction of the commission. For the purposes of  
12 this subsection, the term personal watercraft has the same  
14 meaning as in section 7791, subsection 11-A.

16 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7801, sub-§2-B** is enacted to read:

18 2-B. Illegal operation of personal watercraft. A person is  
20 guilty of the illegal operation of a personal watercraft if that  
22 person operates a personal watercraft in violation of section  
685-C, subsection 10.

### SUMMARY

This bill prohibits the use of personal watercraft on waters entirely within the jurisdiction of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission.