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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1843, L.D. 2581, Bill, "An Act to Prohibit the Importation of Milfoil into State Waters"

Amend the amendment in section 2 in that part designated "~~§419-C.~~" in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the first line (page 4, line 2 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "Transport any" the following: 'invasive'

Further amend the amendment in section 2 in that part designated "~~§419-C.~~" in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the first line (page 4, line 2 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "parts of any" the following: 'invasive'

Further amend the amendment in section 2 in that part designated "~~§419-C.~~" by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 4, lines 16 to 21 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'2. Enforcement. A law enforcement officer may detain a vehicle, boat, personal watercraft, boat trailer or other equipment that is on a public road if the law enforcement officer has a reasonable and articulable suspicion that the vehicle, boat, personal watercraft, boat trailer or other equipment is transporting any invasive aquatic plant. The law enforcement officer may require the immediate inspection, removal and proper disposal of any invasive aquatic plant or plant parts.'

SUMMARY

This amendment prohibits the transport on a public road of any invasive aquatic plant on the outside of a vehicle, boat,

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2 personal watercraft, boat trailer or other equipment. This
amendment also requires that, prior to detaining a vehicle, boat
4 personal watercraft, boat trailer or other equipment on a public
road, a law enforcement officer must have a reasonable and
6 articulable suspicion that an invasive aquatic plant is being
transported on the vehicle, boat, personal watercraft, boat
trailer or other equipment.

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