

**Senate File 10 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act extending a provision relating to the use of certain  
2 increases in watercraft registration fees by the natural  
3 resource commission.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 462A.52, subsections 2 and 3, Code 2013,  
2 are amended to read as follows:

3 2. Notwithstanding subsection 1, any increase in revenues  
4 received on or after July 1, 2007, but on or before June  
5 30, ~~2013~~ 2023, pursuant to this section as a result of fee  
6 increases pursuant to 2005 Iowa Acts, ch. 137, shall be used  
7 by the commission only for the administration and enforcement  
8 of programs to control aquatic invasive species and for the  
9 administration and enforcement of navigation laws and water  
10 safety upon the inland waters of this state and shall be used  
11 in addition to funds already being expended by the commission  
12 each year for these purposes. The commission shall not reduce  
13 the amount of other funds being expended on an annual basis for  
14 these purposes as of July 1, 2005, during the period of the  
15 appropriation provided for in this subsection.

16 3. The commission shall submit a written report to the  
17 general assembly by December 31, 2007, and by December 31  
18 of each year thereafter through December 31, ~~2013~~ 2023,  
19 summarizing the activities of the department in administering  
20 and enforcing programs to control aquatic invasive species  
21 and administering and enforcing navigation laws and water  
22 safety upon the inland waters of the state. The report shall  
23 include information concerning the amount of revenues collected  
24 pursuant to this section as a result of fee increases pursuant  
25 to 2005 Iowa Acts, ch. 137, and how the revenues were expended.  
26 The report shall also include information concerning the amount  
27 and source of all other funds expended by the commission during  
28 the year for the purposes of administering and enforcing  
29 programs to control aquatic invasive species and administering  
30 and enforcing navigation laws and water safety upon the inland  
31 waters of the state and how the funds were expended.

32 EXPLANATION

33 This bill extends the designation of certain increases  
34 in registration fees for watercraft for use by the natural  
35 resource commission for an additional 10 years.

1 In 2005, registration fees for watercraft were raised, and  
2 the increase in revenues received on or after July 1, 2007,  
3 but on or before June 30, 2013, was designated for use by the  
4 natural resource commission only for the administration and  
5 enforcement of programs to control aquatic invasive species and  
6 for the administration and enforcement of navigation laws and  
7 water safety upon the inland waters of this state. These funds  
8 were to be used in addition to funds already being expended by  
9 the commission each year for those purposes and the commission  
10 was prohibited from reducing the amount of other funds being  
11 expended for those purposes as of July 1, 2005. The commission  
12 was also required to submit an annual report to the general  
13 assembly each year summarizing the activities of the department  
14 of natural resources in carrying out those purposes.

15 The bill provides that this provision will sunset in 2023  
16 instead of 2013.