

# **Administrative Rule Analysis**

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## **WATERCRAFT RENTED TO PUBLIC RULES**

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**Department: Natural Resources (DNR)**  
**Agency: Law Enforcement Division (LED)**  
**Rule Set No.: 2014-043-NR**

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## **BACKGROUND & SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RULES SUBMITTED TO JCAR**

Rule set 2014-043-NR amends the current LED rules regarding safety equipment and regulations for navigable waters livery vessels as required by MCL 324.44515. These vessels are in excess of 20 feet in length, owned by private businesses, and are offered to the public for rent. These vessels are newly defined in statute, which requires administrative rules specifying the necessary safety equipment and procedures. These guidelines are very similar to the current administrative rules in place for safety procedures on charter vessels.

## **FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED RULES**

The administrative rules amended by 2014-043-NR would not have a significant fiscal impact on the Department of Natural Resources of local units of government. The department already completes inspections of these vessels as required by statute. Any costs incurred in bringing a particular vessel or vessels up to safety standard would be the responsibility of the owner and would not be borne by DNR nor local government.

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