HOUSE BILL No. 2152

By Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

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AN ACT concerning crimes, criminal procedure and punishment; relating to operating a vessel under the influence of drugs or alcohol; amending K.S.A. 32-1130 and repealing the existing section; also repealing K.S.A. 32-1131.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) Operating a vessel under the influence of alcohol or drugs is operating or attempting to operate any vessel while:

- (1) The alcohol concentration in the person's blood or breath, at the time or within two hours after the person operated or attempted to operate the vessel is .08 or more;
- (2) under the influence of alcohol to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely operating a vessel;
- (3) under the influence of any drug or combination of drugs to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely operating a vessel;
- (4) under the influence of a combination of alcohol and any drug or drugs to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely operating a vessel: or
- (5) the alcohol concentration in the person's blood or breath, at the time or within two hours after the person operated or attempted to operate the vessel is .02 or more and the person is less than 21 years of age;
- (b) No person shall operate or attempt to operate any vessel within this state if the person is a habitual user of any narcotic, hypnotic, somnifacient or stimulating drug.
- (c) If a person is charged with a violation of this section involving drugs, the fact that the person is or has been entitled to use the drug under the laws of this state shall not constitute a defense against the charge.
- (d) No person shall operate or attempt to operate any vessel within this state for three months after the date of refusal of submitting to a test if such person refuses to submit to a test pursuant to K.S.A. 32-1132, and amendments thereto.
- (e) Operating a vessel under the influence of alcohol or drugs as defined in:
- (1) Subsection (a)(1) through (a)(4), or (a)(5) when such person under 21 refuses to submit to a breath or blood alcohol test pursuant to K.S.A. 32-1132, and amendments thereto, is a:

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- (A) Class B misdemeanor upon a first conviction; and
- (B) class A misdemeanor upon a second or subsequent conviction, including imprisonment for not less than 90 days;
- (2) subsection (a)(5), when such person submits to a breath or blood alcohol test pursuant to K.S.A. 32-1132, and amendments thereto, and produces a test result of .02 or greater but less than .08 is:
- (A) Punishable by suspension of such person's boating privileges for 30 days upon a first conviction; and
- (B) punishable by suspension of such person's boating privileges for 90 days upon a second or subsequent conviction.
- (f) In addition to any other penalties prescribed by law or rule and regulation, any person convicted of a violation of this section shall be required to satisfactorily complete a boater safety education course of instruction approved by the secretary before such person subsequently operates or attempts to operate any vessel.
- (g) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the Kansas criminal code.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 32-1130 is hereby amended to read as follows: 32-1130. As used in K.S.A. 32-1131 32-1132 through 32-1136 and section 1, and amendments thereto:
- (a) "Alcohol concentration" means the number of grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood or per 210 liters of breath.
- (b) "Other competent evidence" includes: (1) Alcohol concentration tests obtained from samples taken two hours or more after the operation or attempted operation of a vessel; and (2) readings obtained from a partial alcohol concentration test on a breath testing machine.
- (c) "Samples" includes breath supplied directly for testing, which breath is not preserved.
- (d) "Vessel" and "operate" have the meanings provided by K.S.A. 32-1102, and amendments thereto.
- 31 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 32-1130 and 32-1131 are hereby repealed.
 - Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.