

# SENATE BILL No. 481

May 14, 2003, Introduced by Senator KUIPERS and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled  
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"  
(MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 30111a.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 30111a. (1) A person shall not use a dedicated public  
2 access site except as provided in this section. Unless the  
3 dedication recorded with the register of deeds specifically  
4 provides for other uses, a dedication for public access includes  
5 only the right of ingress and egress and does not include use of  
6 the public access for any of the following:

7           (a) Boat hoists.

8           (b) Construction of docks unless the purpose of the dock is  
9 to aid in the public access and the construction of the dock is  
10 authorized by the owner of the land on which the public access  
11 site is located.

1 (c) Overnight storage of boats, except for the temporary  
2 storage of disabled boats.

3 (d) Equipment storage or lock boxes, unless authorized by  
4 the owner of the land on which the public access site is  
5 located.

6 (2) If a dock is located at a dedicated public access site,  
7 the owner of the riparian land on which the public access site is  
8 located shall place a sign at the dedicated public access site  
9 that describes the allowable uses of the public access site and  
10 describes the activities that are prohibited at the public access  
11 site.

12 (3) A person shall not moor a vessel overnight on bottomland  
13 directly offshore from a dedicated public access site.

14 (4) A person who violates this section is guilty of a  
15 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00 for  
16 each day of violation. A peace officer may issue an appearance  
17 ticket as described and authorized by sections 9c to 9g of  
18 chapter IV of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL  
19 764.9c to 764.9g, to a person who is in violation of this  
20 section.

21 (5) As used in this section, "dedicated public access" means  
22 public access to an inland lake or stream dedicated for use by  
23 the public by a written instrument recorded with the register of  
24 deeds.