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# H. R. 4477

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 24, 1994

Mr. STUDDS (for himself, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. FIELDS of Texas, Mr. COBLE, Mr. BATEMAN, and Mrs. FOWLER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. BOATING SAFETY GRANTS.**

4       (a) TRANSFER OF AMOUNTS FOR STATE BOATING  
5       SAFETY PROGRAMS.—

6               (1) TRANSFERS.—Section 4(b) of the Act of  
7       August 9, 1950 (16 U.S.C. 777c(b); commonly re-

1       ferred to as the “Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Res-  
2       toration Act”), is amended to read as follows:

3       “(b)(1) Of the balance of each annual appropriation  
4       remaining after making the distribution under subsection  
5       (a), an amount equal to \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 1995,  
6       \$52,500,000 for fiscal year 1996, \$59,000,000 for fiscal  
7       year 1997, and \$64,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1998  
8       and 1999, shall, subject to paragraph (2), be used as fol-  
9       lows:

10               “(A) A sum equal to \$7,500,000 of the amount  
11               available for fiscal year 1995, and a sum equal to  
12               \$10,000,000 of the amount available for each of fis-  
13               cal years 1996 and 1997, shall be available for use  
14               by the Secretary of the Interior for grants under  
15               section 5604(c) of the Clean Vessel Act of 1992.  
16               Any portion of such a sum available for a fiscal year  
17               that is not obligated for those grants before the end  
18               of the following fiscal year shall be transferred to  
19               the Secretary of Transportation and shall be ex-  
20               pended by the Secretary of Transportation for State  
21               recreational boating safety programs under section  
22               13106 of title 46, United States Code.

23               “(B) \$7,500,000 of the amount available for  
24               fiscal year 1995, \$42,500,000 of the amount avail-  
25               able for fiscal year 1996, \$49,000,000 of the

1 amount available for fiscal year 1997, and  
2 \$64,000,000 of the amount available for each of fis-  
3 cal years 1998 and 1999, shall be transferred to the  
4 Secretary of Transportation and shall be expended  
5 by the Secretary of Transportation for recreational  
6 boating safety programs under section 13106 of title  
7 46, United States Code.

8 “(2)(A) Beginning with fiscal year 1996, the amount  
9 transferred under paragraph (1)(B) for a fiscal year shall  
10 be reduced by the lesser of—

11 “(i) the amount appropriated for that fiscal  
12 year from the Boat Safety Account in the Aquatic  
13 Resources Trust Fund established under section  
14 9504 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to carry  
15 out the purposes of section 13106 of title 46, United  
16 States Code; or

17 “(ii) \$35,000,000.

18 “(B) The amount of any reduction under subpara-  
19 graph (A) shall be apportioned among the several States  
20 under subsection (d) by the Secretary of the Interior.”.

21 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section  
22 5604(c)(1) of the Clean Vessel Act of 1992 (33  
23 U.S.C. 1322 note) is amended by striking “section  
24 4(b)(2) of the Act of August 9, 1950 (16 U.S.C.  
25 777c(b)(2), as amended by this Act)” and inserting

1 “section 4(b)(1) of the Act of August 9, 1950 (16  
2 U.S.C. 777c(b)(1))”.

3 (b) EXPENDITURE OF AMOUNTS FOR STATE REC-  
4 REATIONAL BOATING SAFETY PROGRAMS.—Section  
5 13106 of title 46, United States Code, is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)(1) by striking the first  
7 sentence and inserting the following: “Subject to  
8 paragraph (2), the Secretary shall expend in each  
9 fiscal year for State recreational boating safety pro-  
10 grams authorized under this section an amount  
11 equal to the total of the amount appropriated from  
12 the Boat Safety Account established under section  
13 9503(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986  
14 (26 U.S.C. 9503(c)(4)) for that fiscal year and the  
15 amount transferred to the Secretary under section  
16 4(b)(1) of the Act of August 9, 1950 (16 U.S.C.  
17 777c(b)(1)) in that fiscal year.”; and

18 (2) by striking subsection (c).

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