

2015-0222

INTRODUCED BY: PAUL J. HOGAN, PE, COUNCILMAN, DISTRICT IV

An ordinance of the Parish of St. Charles providing that the Code of Ordinances, Parish of St. Charles, be amended by removing in its entirety Chapter 5. Boats, Docks and Waterways, Article II. Airboats, Section 5-14. through Section 5-20. and replace with Sections 5-14. - 5-20. Reserved.

WHEREAS, R.S. 34:851.27, in which the State of Louisiana declared its authority through the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, and reserved to itself the right to regulate the requirements of vessels and motorboats; and,

WHEREAS, with limited exception, including speed limits and no wake zones, the State of Louisiana expressly prohibited all political subdivisions in the State from regulating watercraft in any respect, including, but not limited to, their operation, minimum equipment requirements, registration, or inspection; and,

WHEREAS, this act of the Legislature effectively nullified Chapter 5. Boats, Docks and Waterways, Article II. Airboats, Section 5-14. through Section 5-20.; and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Council to amend the code as noted below.

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. That the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 5. Boats, Docks and Waterways, Article II. Airboats, Section 5-14. through Section 5-20. be removed in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Sections 5-14. – 5-20. Reserved.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: SCHEXNAYDRE, HOGAN

NAYS: LEWIS, WILSON, WOODRUFF, BENEDETTO, COCHRAN,
FISHER-PERRIER

ABSENT: FLETCHER

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE FAILED FOR LACK OF A FAVORABLE MAJORITY
ON AUGUST 3, 2015.**