

1.1 **Senator Hawj from the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy, to which**
1.2 **was referred**

1.3 **S.F. No. 553:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; requiring safety education
1.4 and permitting for certain watercraft operators; imposing certain obligations on motorboat
1.5 rental businesses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 86B.313, subdivision 4;
1.6 171.07, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes,
1.7 chapter 86B; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 86B.101; 86B.305; 86B.313,
1.8 subdivisions 2, 3.

1.9 Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

1.10 Page 3, delete subdivision 2 and insert:

1.11 "Subd. 2. **Young operators.** (a) A young operator may not operate a personal watercraft
1.12 or any motorboat powered by a motor with a factory rating of more than 75 horsepower.

1.13 (b) A young operator may operate a motorboat that is not a personal watercraft and that
1.14 is powered by a motor with a factory rating of less than 75 horsepower if an accompanying
1.15 operator is in the motorboat."

1.16 And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on
1.17 Transportation. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

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(Committee Chair)

1.20 March 1, 2023.....
1.21 (Date of Committee recommendation)