

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 29.1-744.3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to motorboats; means of*
3 *propulsion; when person in water accompanying boat.*

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5 Approved

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6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. That § 29.1-744.3 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 **§ 29.1-744.3. Slacken speed and control wakes near structures.**

9 It shall be unlawful to operate any motorboat, except *a* personal watercraft, at a speed greater than
10 the slowest possible speed required to maintain steerage and headway when within 50 feet or less of
11 docks, piers, boathouses, boat ramps, or a person in the water, unless such person in the water (i) is
12 being towed by the motorboat or (ii) is accompanying the motorboat, provided that such motorboat is
13 propelled by an inboard motor *or a means of propulsion that is below the water line and forward of (a)*
14 *the transom or (b) an integrated swim platform.*

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