Present law provides that no person born after Jan. 1, 1984, can operate a motorboat powered by a motor in excess of 10 horsepower unless he has successfully completed a boating safety class approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators.

Proposed law exempts from the boating safety class requirement a person 18 years of age or older if operating a rented motorboat, the rental contract requires instruction in the proper and safe operation of the vessel, the parties sign and comply with terms of the contract, and the operator signs a statement that he is not currently under suspension or revocation of the privilege to operate a watercraft upon the waters of this state or any other state.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Adds R.S. 34:851.36(B)(3))