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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: RCS 01/23/2024 House

The Committee on Environment and Natural Resources (Garcia) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) and paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 327.4108, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

327.4108 Anchoring of vessels in anchoring limitation areas.-

(1) The following densely populated urban areas, which have

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11 narrow state waterways, residential docking facilities, and 12 significant recreational boating traffic, are designated as and 13 shall be considered to be grandfathered-in anchoring limitation 14 areas, within which a person may not anchor a vessel at any time 15 during the period between one-half hour after sunset and one-16 half hour before sunrise, except as provided in subsections (4) 17 and (5):

(c) The sections of Biscayne Bay in Miami-Dade County <u>that</u> are within 200 yards of any part of the shore of the City of <u>Miami Beach</u> lying between <u>State Road AlA</u> and State Road 112:

Rivo Alto Island and Di Lido Island.
San Marino Island and San Marco Island.
San Marco Island and Biscayne Island.

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32 33 (b)1. For a vessel in an anchoring limitation area established pursuant to subsection (2), upon an inquiry by a law enforcement officer or agency, a vessel owner or operator must be given an opportunity to provide proof that the vessel has not exceeded the limitations described in subsection (2). Such proof may include any of the following:

a. Documentation showing that the vessel was in another location at least 1 <u>nautical</u> mile away within a period of less than 45 days before the inquiry.

b. Electronic evidence, including, but not limited to, navigational devices or tracking devices <u>permanently affixed to</u> <u>the vessel</u> that show the vessel was in another location at least <u>nautical</u> mile away within a period of less than 45 days before the inquiry.

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2. If a vessel owner or operator fails or refuses to

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40	provide proof that the vessel has not exceeded the limitations
41	described in subsection (2), the law enforcement officer or
42	agency may issue a citation for a violation of this section.
43	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.
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46	And the title is amended as follows:
47	Delete everything before the enacting clause
48	and insert:
49	A bill to be entitled
50	An act relating to anchoring limitation areas;
51	amending s. 327.4108, F.S.; revising anchoring
52	limitation areas in certain sections of Biscayne Bay
53	in Miami-Dade County; revising documentation and
54	evidence criteria for proving the location of a vessel
55	within an anchoring limitation area; providing an
56	effective date.