Marine safety program; state aid; formula; limitation on determination; use; statement of expenditures.

Sec. 80117. (1) Each county of the state is entitled to receive state aid as provided in this part. A county board of commissioners desiring to conduct a marine safety program shall submit to the department by December 31 of each year an estimate of authorized expenditures for the following calendar year, in the form and containing the information the department requires. The department shall review the entire request and may approve the county request for state aid. The department shall annually survey the marine safety program of each county to assist in determining the amount of state aid to be allocated to a county for its marine safety program. In making its annual determination of the amount of state aid to be allocated to a county, the department shall develop and employ a formula which shall include such factors as:

(a) The number of students to be trained in boating safety in any United States coast guard auxiliary, United States power squadron, or department-sponsored marine safety classes.

(b) The number of boat user days.

(c) The number of livery boats.

(d) Program effectiveness measured by comparing the existing rate of compliance with current statutes to the acceptable rate of compliance determined by the department.

(e) The number and type of boat access areas requiring a county marine safety program.

(f) The water area of the county.

(2) A determination of the amount of state aid allocated to a county under this part shall not be based, wholly or in part, upon the number of vessels within that county that are stopped or inspected under section 80166.

(3) State aid allocated to a county under this part shall be used exclusively for the conduct of the county marine safety program as provided by this part and rules promulgated under this part. Within 90 days after the close of each calendar year, a county board of commissioners shall submit to the department a statement of authorized expenditures actually incurred, in the form and containing the information that the department requires. A county that provides the department with statements or supplements to statements subsequent to the 90-day period is not eligible for state aid under this part.


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