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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Montana:

**Section 1.** Section 23-2-501, MCA, is amended to read:

**"23-2-501. Declaration of policy.** It is the policy of this state to promote safety for persons and property in and connected with the use, operation, and equipment of vessels and to promote uniformity of laws relating thereto. For the purposes of this part:

(1) the board has jurisdiction over all waters immediately adjacent to lands administered pursuant to Title 23, chapter 1, and all waters administered pursuant to Title 23, chapter 2, part 4; and

(2) the commission has jurisdiction over all waters that are not immediately adjacent to lands administered pursuant to Title 23, chapter 1, and all waters not administered pursuant to Title 23, chapter 2, part 4."

{Internal References to 23-2-501: None.}