

**NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 451 of 1994**

**324.80198b Public bathing beaches; buoys required; prohibited swimming area; exception; violation; fine.**

Sec. 80198b.

(1) The owner or person in charge of a bathing beach maintained primarily for public use shall not knowingly permit a person to bathe or swim from the bathing beach unless buoys outlining a safe bathing or swimming area are established in accordance with section 80159.

(2) A person who is bathing or swimming from a bathing beach maintained primarily for public use shall not bathe or swim in waters that are within 100 feet beyond the buoyed bathing or swimming area. This subsection does not apply to persons swimming from adjacent privately owned beaches that are not open to the general public.

(3) A person who violates this section is responsible for a state civil infraction and may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than \$500.00.

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