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**SB 123 - Boating Accidents - Duty to Stop at the Scene, Render Assistance,
and Provide Information - Penalties**

I am Senator Simonaire presenting SB 123.

This bill simply mirrors the Hit-and-Run penalties we have in Transportation Article (20-102, 20-104) into the Maryland Boating Act.

If you will recall, my constituent came down and shared how he lost his wife due to a brutal hit and run incident on the Magothy River, and how that exposed the unfairness between the same incident occurring on water verses on a street.

This bill creates parity with vehicles and vessels regarding hit-n-run by mirroring the Transportation Article for the Natural Resources Article.

While this bill will not affect my constituent, it will be very meaningful to those in the future.

I ask for your favorable consideration.