

The Governor

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Does the Governor know who killed the fishermen
On the lake last night?
Was the cigarette boat comin' 'round the point like a
bat out of hell
Wasn't burnin' his lights?

The cigarette boat is not even legal
The lake's too narrow to be goin' that fast
Two fishermen sat in an old green Jon boat
Makin' one more cast

Full moon rising big and pale
That cigarette boat didn't even slow down
It was throwin' up a big old rooster tail
And it ran right through 'em with a sickening sound

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The game warden's here and the EMS
They hauled up the body with a rope and a hook
They got no leads and no suspects
State trooper says they're not even gonna look

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Had to have been some fat cat
Them cigarette boats, they cost many
Can't just anybody buy a boat like that

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They can't find the boat, they can't find the trailer
They were watchin' the ramps, big mistake
I'll bet you the farm it's in somebodies' boathouse
It never made the ramp and it's still on the lake

They try to get a warrant...dream all you want
they won't be searchin' any lake front homes
Justice is blind to them that own it
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