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Dear Chair McKeown, and members of the Committee,

I am Andy Meyer, Executive vice President of the Columbia River Yachting Association. We are an association of 19 yacht and boat clubs with a combined membership of around 2000 families. We are in favor of H.B. 2320 and urge its passage. Like many boaters in or association, I have been boating for many years, and having paid my boaters registration every year. That registration money has gone to the Oregon State Marine Board to help provide facilities and services for boaters. The non-motorized boating community has used some of the same facilities and services; however, have not had to contribute anything to their construction or upkeep. Also, the Oregon State Marine Board contributes to the various county's marine sheriff patrols, who have done an excellent job over the years rescuing all types of boaters in harms way, including about half who are non-motorized boaters. Again, they have not been required to contribute anything toward these services. We believe it is time that the non-motorized boating community pay for their portion of the Oregon State Marine Board services, and this bill is an excellent way to go. Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,
Andy Meyer
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