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The Oregon State Marine Board had introduced HB 2320 this would require everyone to wear a life-jacket when using any type of "swim toy" on moving water. I oppose this law for multiple reasons, first, this bill dose not distinguish the difference between slow moving flat water ,like the Newberg pool on the Willamete, and fast moving white water like the upper Clackamas. Second The State is not my Mother, and needs to stop trying to be. What is next, will we have a law that we must wait 30 minutes after eating before swimming?

Another part of this bill would require all paddle craft to be licensed. I also oppose this for the simple reason that it is a quality of life issue. I feel there are some things we as Oregonians should be able to do for free. You should not have to give the state money to go for a hike, ride a bike or paddle a kayak. I understand the OSMB want these fees to pay for improved access to our rivers and lakes, I feel this would be better handled threw park entrance fees. Keep the money where it is collected, and improve those areas.

Thank you
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