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I am opposed to SB 47 as written, although with a tweak, it would be acceptable.

For decades the State Marine Board has tried to get extra money to fund their programs by trying to get the non-motorized boaters to help support the agency. But the paddlers have fought back time and again. This history has left bad feelings with the directors and staff of the State Marine Board causing them to consider the non-motorized boaters as less worthy of the Marine Boards support. When asked for a rule change from the Marine Board I was told that, because I didn't pay a registration fee, I was "Not a customer".

Paddling, rowing, sailing small boats are becoming ever more popular. One doesn't need a big truck to haul the heavy boat. They are almost maintenance free. Big concrete launching ramps aren't required, in fact many people carry small boats across city parks to the rivers or lakes and have no need for Marine Board development money. On the other hand, the Marine Board "customers" need heavy gas hogs (year round) to tow their boats to the water. Their boats create worse emissions than cars, and create wakes which discourage the quiet peaceful eco friendly non- motorized boater.

I have no problem being supportive of our only state boating agency. But I want some reform of this agency that has made a point of not serving the type of boating I enjoy. The agency that sets the rules for all boating, that directs law enforcement for all boating, that seeks to build infrastructure for all boating.

Specifically, I would like to see 4 new seats on the appointed Board; seats which represent white water rafting, stand-up paddle boarding (SUP), sea kayaking, dragon boating, outrigger canoeing, small sailboats (not the usual yacht clubbers), rowers, etc. the non-motor folks are a diverse population with a variety of needs and we need representation on the Board. And because these people represent the majority of boating days in Oregon, we ought to have a near majority of members appointed to the Board.

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