

I am strongly opposed to HB 2555 for many reasons. Water sports in Oregon are a beautiful part of living in the Northwest and if this bill is passed it immediately cuts off these essential family time activities for so many Oregonians who safely and responsibly enjoy this time. In a time of a pandemic, with so many people desperately needing recreational activity for their mental and physical well being, this is not the time to quickly pass laws with biased and very limited information.

QUIETLY trying to pass these agenda's without the public's ability to appropriately participate and testify is why so many Oregonians do not trust our current Oregon legislature. Make this right and let the public get involved in a solution that is fair and at the same time supports the need to ensure the environmental landscape is protected. This seems similar to the lower Willamette laws recently passed that cater to a select few not the true Oregonian majority.

As a large business owner in Tualatin, providing jobs to over 400 clinicians in Oregon to all of the hospital systems and long term care facilities, I am well aware of the need to make decisions responsibly that may effect many lives. Its critical we keep an appropriate and educated path to a solution and not a rushed vote.