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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: SB1589

Hello,

Please oppose this bill.

This bill negatively impacts many many families and small businesses.

I have been an avid boater for all of my adult life, as a child my family spent every weekend living and playing on the river (that's 51 years). I was taught proper and safe boating, and I have passed that on to my children. One of which works in the boating industry for a very established local dealership.

This bill is wrong, it's only a self-interest bill for those that want the river to themselves. There is not accurate science behind it, there are no real facts. I've watched the river ebb and flow, the banks change yearly long before wake boats.

We have a buoy system set up and place now, is ideal for us boaters, no! Are we making it work so we can all enjoy the river together, yes!!

Why change that, why waste everyone's time every year to try and ban many families from recreating on our river. Its all of ours to share and be responsible for.

Why not actually form partnerships and let us all work together instead of creating animosity.

Please vote NO on this bill, there is a better way. We all need to work together to find it.

Thank you.