Submitter: Ian Maxwell

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: SB1589

I am in opposition of SB 1589. I have boated in the Willamette for the last 25 years and have worked in the towed watersports industry for the last 10 years. Throughout my career we have always made it a point to educate boaters on safe and responsible boating practices. I think if this bill passes it will take away a safe and fun recreational activity for many Oregon families that enjoy Oregon's public waterways, it will lower property values on the river and it will not succeed in protecting or preserving the Willamette river. I also worry about the loss of commerce effecting our business.