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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: SB1589

I strongly urge the house to oppose this motorboat recreation restriction. I grew up in the Portland area as a young water sports enthusiast. Water sports kept me out of trouble as a teen and allowed me to focus on a sport that was both fun and safe for our waterways. As I've grown older and started a family of my own. I also hope to carry on this tradition with my own children and their friends/family.

The Willamette river is the only local public waterway available for towed water sports. This ruling has the potential to not only devastate local water sport businesses, but also prevent thousands of local motorboat residents from enjoying their local waterway with the sport they love and own a boat specifically for.

I beg you to please oppose this bill to allow everyone from our community to enjoy our amazing river equally.

Thanks,

-Dave Fleck