

Chair Grayber, vice chairs Lewis and Tran and other members of the House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Myself and the members of Columbia River Yachting Association Support HB2914-2

My name is Doug Romjue, and I am the Executive Vice President of the Columbia River Yachting Association (CRYA). We are an organization that represents thousands of boaters of organized Yacht Clubs, Cruising clubs and associations. The organization is in its 90th year, and we work with the Marine Board, Local county Sheriffs, Department of State Lands along with other safety and rulemaking groups.

As the representative of CRYA I have seen the efforts to get a handle on ADV's get a lot of talk, but not much action in the 10 years I have been working with the issue. Not that the efforts of many weren't trying, but a lack of money and focused support hampered progress.

We are 100% behind this effort to allow the Department of State Lands to create a workgroup that can build the framework of a program to address the problems as they exist today, but also to continue to keep focus on the issues to stop ADV's from continuing to be such an environmental and safety hazard going forward.

We are pleased to see this effort now reaching the highest levels of Oregon's Government as a priority. \$18.7 Million earmarked in the Governor's budget is a positive step in the right direction.

Please approve HB2914-2 to help all of Oregon in maintaining the safety and beauty of our waterways.

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