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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire

Measure: SB1590

In opposition to SB1590:

I've lived on the river for over ten years.

When I first moved there, there was a "no ballasting" rule put in place. It was impossible to enforce and most people just ignored the rule.

That is why the weight limit was put in place. The dry weight doesn't matter, because people WILL ballast, so total weight is the only thing that makes sense.

Later, the zones were put in place. Well, that just concentrated the worst of it into certain areas. The Newberg Pool is too narrow for any of these wake boat activities. There are no zones that are wide enough. The weight limits make sense for towed water sports. To repeal the current rules, that are totally working, doesn't make any sense.

This new bill is just a knee jerk reaction by those that don't like the rules for personal selfish reasons. Don't give in to the vocal minority, the majority of people are very happy with the current state of regulation.

Thank you for your consideration.