

House Committee on Natural Resources

Chair Witt and members of the committee,

My name is Matt Radich, I am the president of Active Water Sports, an Oregon boat dealer. We fully support a towed-sports endorsement program in Oregon, but we are concerned about some of the current language in House Bill 2351. It can be confusing and goes beyond its original intent.

One specific area of concern is the Section 3.3 which notes this endorsement needs to be renewed every two years. This could get expensive for some boaters and be seen as punitive.

For HB2351 to be effective it needs to shed much of the text regarding boat information and renewal costs. It should focus on how to efficiently educate and certify boat operators.

We would support 2351 with some changes but oppose as written.

Thank you for your consideration,

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