Good afternoon Representative Witt,

As one of the people who originally conceived of the towed-sports endorsement, I was excited to see that it made its way onto the list of proposed bills for 2019. I was note excited to see all the extra items that were added into the bill.

The intent of the towed sports endorsement was to ensure that operators of towed-sports boats would have the training necessary to operate their boats in a safe and low-impact manner. It should have been a simple, one time thing. As currently written, operators will have to pay a fee every two years and now there is all sorts extra tracking information boaters will need to provide. These additional and unneeded items will be have add a large scope of work to the Marine Board.

To be clear, I do support increased education for tow-boat users but not as written in this bill.

Respectfully,

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