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Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Senator Michael Dembrow, Chair Senator Alan Olsen, Co-Chair Committee Members

Please support this timely and sensible legislation to develop cooperation between the state boating agency and the goals of the Willamette Greenway Plan. The Willamette River is a beloved and vital resource and deserves to be managed comprehensively

As a lifelong boater, with 7 boats including; two registered power boats, two sea kayaks, a rowing shell, a canoe and a small sailboat, I care very much about local boating and have a close view of the effect of boating on the Willamette River.

Increased pressure from boating of all types, exacerbated by large wakes by a few "Wake Sport" boats, have been degrading the shorelines of the Lower Willamette near my neighborhood in SE Portland.

2351A is required to give the OSMB authority to regulate boating in ways that help preserve the health of the river. Currently the OSMB is simply protecting the state waterways for boating, not as living ecosystems.

This is a sensible, reasonable bill that would align river protection and habitat preservation with boating activity. I urge your support.

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