I am submitting testimony to oppose SB 857. This legislation does not represent the community at large.

I have owned a family boat since 2012, in fact our family has grown and we enjoy boating so much that last year we traded in our boat for a new boat. We always boat in the upper Willamette River, that is above the Oregon City Falls, and use the stretch of the river from West Linn to Newberg. The past two seasons we have moored our boat at the Charbonneau marina. My three daughters and my wife enjoy, tubing, knee boarding and wakeboarding behind our boat. In addition we enjoy floating, swimming and just hanging out on our boat enjoying the magnificent weather during the summer.

This bill will significantly impact our enjoyment of the Upper Willamette River. This bill was defeated in the house, and should not be given any weight in the Senate Committee.