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Vice-Chair Representative Hudson
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Representative McLain
Representative Post
Representative Reardon
Representative Brock Smith
Representative Williams

Dear Chair Witt, Vice-Chair Breese-Iverson, Vice-Chair Hudson and Members:

This testimony is provided for HB2734 which requires the Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) to study and make recommendations for legislation regarding an excise tax on wake boat sales. OSMB has no position on this bill.

OSMB does not currently administer any tax programs so the agency would seek information from the Legislative Revenue Office and the Oregon Department of Revenue on tax systems in Oregon. In addition, we would gather information from other states on any comparable excise tax programs on boats.

The agency would focus the report on the structure and mechanics of how the tax could be implemented so in the future, Legislators could determine the amount of funds collected for a defined purpose.

If I may provide any additional information or clarification, I can be reached at (503) 378-2617.

Sincerely,

Larry Warren
Director

