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I am opposed to this restrictive legislation. It is not based on evidence but hearsay from special interest groups with a specific agenda of exclusion. It is clear from the description that the authors and Committee do not have an accurate understanding of the various and differing types of boating recreation, hull design or economic impact. Enforcement of existing regulations and boating education for ALL users is needed. Currently, these special interest groups have no education or licensing requirements and pose a greater threat to the general safety and access to the water. Overdevelopment and leaching of chemicals used by homeowners are major contributors to the erosion and health of our waterways. No legislation will be fair and effective without accurate research, compromise and education for all users.