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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: SB1589

Committee Members,

I am writing in opposition to SB1589. I have been a lifelong user of the Newberg pool on the Willamette River. This pool is a great outdoor resource for families looking to recreate on the water. This bill will unfairly exclude a large population of the current users. We already have rules in place to ensure the safety of all users. Since 2009 there have been several work groups working with the Marine board to review these rules and come up with plans to facilitate all users have safe access. I am extremely perplexed on how we keep coming back to legislation like this after so much work and compromise has gone into making a plan that works for all.

The constant reintroduction of bills like this is a waste of the State of Oregon's time and effort. Please stop allowing and listening to the introduction of these bills, especially when the Marine Board groups have come up with viable plans that while not perfect, allow access for all.