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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: SB1589

I support SB 1589 and respectfully ask the committee to please oppose any Amendments.

I believe that the base bill, SB 1589, is good as passed by the Senate. Only a small amount of registered power boats would be impacted by this new law. Well established riverine biologists have concluded there are negative impacts for the Willamette, including NOAA Fisheries, fisheries biologists at OSU and more. The University of Minnesota study recently concluded that Towed Water Sports boats are NOT like other motor boats and concluded wake boats need to be at least 500 feet from shorelines to protect them.

Thank you for considering my request and I hope you will support this bill. This is good for other impacted river users and the health of the Willamette