Submitter:	Carleen Murdock
On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	Senate Committee On Energy and Environment
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	SB301

Re: opposition to SB 301

Dear Senate Committee on Energy and Environment,

Proponents of this bill say that the average recreational boater is being banned from the river between West Linn and Newberg.

Wakeboats are not average boats. They are very expensive and well beyond the means of the average household.

Wakeboats are only 1% of the registered boats in the area, wakeboat owners are the vocal minority in this case.

99% of the other boaters are free to use their boats on this river and tow. The 1% can still use the river, but just can't tow with big wakes.

The current rules do not ban any boat from going on the river, just certain activities involving sports towing.

Don't be swayed by the 1%.

Carleen (boater and paddler)