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I am a West Linn resident who is in absolute support of Senate Bill 301. In 2024, we purchased a very expensive Malibu MXZ boat in hopes for the whole family to learn to wakeboard, ski and surf.

As you can imagine, it was an unpleasant surprise to learn our boat exceeds a weight that cannot be used to tow our kids on the stretch of the Willamette that is 7 minutes from our home. In order to enjoy family fun on the water, we were forced to seek other waterways that are hours from us. The Columbia River is too dangerous for children in my professional opinion.

Due to this frivolous law, my wife and I decided our gorgeous dream boat was too much of a hassle to own and sold it. This was such a sad day for our family and could have been prevented if we could legally tow on this section of the Willamette where we reside.

I urge you to please consider reversing this law.

Thank you,

Captain Chris Sprando
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