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

I am a blind dragon boat paddler with the Wasabi Paddling Club. The area of the Willamette River we use is (currently) restricted as a pass-through and no-wake zone. This was implemented when several of our dragon boat teams were capsized into the river because of large wakes from speeding motor boats who disregard the no-wake zone, and seem to find it amusing to cause our boats to flip over. Our club has blind and mentally challenged paddlers who fear for our safety by these reckless drivers. Please vote NO on SB 301 to ensure that the zones for non-motorized boats remain safe for us and other non-motorized users of the river. Thanks for your serious consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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