

## Watts Remy

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To: Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Senator Michael Dembrow, Chair

Senator Alan Olsen, Co-Chair

Committee Members

By email

Subject: HB 2351A

I am writing to you to request your support for HB 2351A currently before the Oregon State Senate. HB 2351A gives the Oregon State Marine Board the local rulemaking authority to make regulations which align with other state agencies to protect the shoreline, marine habitat, and private property along the Willamette River Greenway.

As a resident owner of a floating home at the Portland Rowing Club for over 12 years I have enjoyed our life on the river and have been happy to have a window on the enjoyment that others find using the river. But over the past few years there has been a concerning change in the increasing number and the violence of the wakes that we and other river users experience on a daily basis.

Most of these damaging wakes are being generated by wakeboard boats. The wakes are causing serious and costly damage to our homes and property, erode the shoreline, effect wildlife, and endanger other river users.

Recreation on the river needs to be safe for all users and not cause damage . Rowing shells; kayakers; stand-up paddle boarders; small sailing, rowing and motor boats; swimmers are all dangerously effected by these increased wake sizes.

The Legislature should act to protect the our homes, our lives, and the river ecosystem. Please support HB 2351A, which will close a policy gap that allows a small group of river users to imperil the river and its users.

This is a very important issue in our community and I thank you for your consideration of our concerns. I believe that by passing this legislation the river will be a safer, more enjoyable place for all users.

Thank you,

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