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**Written Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 585**

Chairman and members of the Judiciary Committee, I am here to introduce and voice my support for Senate Bill 585 – *Boating Accidents - Duty to Remain at the Scene, Render Assistance, and Provide Information – Penalties*.

Senate Bill 585 would require the operator of a vessel involved in a collision, accident, or other casualty to return to and remain at the scene until the operator has rendered certain assistance and provided certain information. It would establish certain criminal penalties for the operator of a vessel involved in a collision, accident, or other casualty who does not return to and remain at the scene of the collision, accident, or other casualty or render certain assistance and provide certain information.