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From: Becky Blaine <blblaine53@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 6:45 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Bill H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

My husband and I, as Rhode Island boat owners, strongly oppose H6256. We are retired and on a fixed income. Having a boat and paying for a slip is expensive as it is. It is the one luxury we enjoy in our retirement. It is most likely if we have to pay for boat taxes we may have to sell the boat and our grandchildren will be so disappointed not to be able to swim off the boat in our favorite spots.

Reinstating a tax on boats will drive both boaters and marine-related businesses out of state for sure, threaten local jobs and most importantly negatively impact our economy.

Please vote NO on H6256. Don't sink Rhode Island's marine industry.

Sincerely,

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