

Dear House Finance Committee,

My boat is currently located in Rhode Island at Safe Harbor Wickford Cove Marina where I spend over \$50,000.00 dollars per year storing and maintaining my boat -- money that goes directly into the Rhode Island economy. I suspect most boaters in Rhode Island contribute similar money into Rhode Island's economy and like me will be forced to search for other states with more favorable taxes on boating if H6256 passes. Passing H6256 will severely damage the entire marine industry in Rhode Island. It is in the interests of Rhode Island citizens and their representatives to reject all taxes on the marine industry in Rhode Island. I strongly urge your committee reject H6256. Let's all keep Rhode Island truly the "The Ocean State".

Sincerely,

Ben Hubbard

"Blue, Red and Grey"