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House Finance Committee

Subject:

Tax exemption

Dear Sir.

The charter fishing business is a dying industry between lack of fish, high insurance rates, fuel prices and weather conditions always working against us. Tax exemption was the only thing that would make it feasible to attempt to make ends meet in the charter fishing industry. It appears that now we may lose our tax exemption status that is the last nail in the coffin.

I would ask that you reconsider any decisions to take this benefit away from the charter boat captain. It is a make or break situation for the industry. Sport fishing is a luxury, not a necessity. Whenever the economy is in bad shape, we in the industry are first to feel the pinch.

Thank you for your time.

Charlie Donilon

Charter boat captain 53 years.



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