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From: Frank Brennan <frank.brennan@marinemax.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 11:15 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island boater, I strongly oppose H6256.

Reinstating a tax on boats will hurt everyday Rhode Islanders by pricing us out of access to our waters, driving both boaters and marine-related businesses out of state, threatening local jobs and negatively impacting our economy.

I personally kept my boats in RI when I lived in CT because of the RI tax advantage. In addition, since moving to RI, I have seen the impact this advantage has in my City of Newport where I live and in the community of Wakefield where I work. We attract many out of state residents that then frequent our restaurants and small businesses.

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

Sincerely,

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Newport, RI

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