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Oppose+H6256+-+Don't+Tax+Boats

As a lifetime Rhode Island resident and boater, I strongly oppose H6256.

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

In addition, a large percentage of boats that are kept in RI are owned by out of state individuals. These people not only keep their boats in RI but also support the marine and tourism industry (i.e. spending money from which local businesses, the state, and municipalities receive financial benefits).

Please vote NO on H6256. Don't swamp Rhode Island's marine industry related to our Blue Economy initiative.

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