

Chris O'Brien

From: Barbara Dawson <dawscom@cox.net>
Sent: Friday, May 9, 2025 8:39 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256
Attachments: Constant Contact.webp; Constant Contact.webp

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 all 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.

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

Bruce Dawson, North Kingstown

Best regards

Barbara Dawson
dawscom@cox.net
cell 401-345-1007
540 Boston Neck Rd.
North Kingstown, RI 02852

Chris O'Brien

From: Michael J. Dodd <ficmjd@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, May 9, 2025 12:19 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Say No To tax On Boats

Please do not destroy the boating industry in Rhode Island. Vote no to instituting a tax on boats. Rhode Island boating industry exploded after it was repealed years ago. We witnessed companies come in from all over to establish plants, distributorships and offices .

All the primo manufacturers.

Jobs Jobs Jobs !!!!!!!

Thank you,

Michael Dodd

Chris O'Brien

From: PAT DAMBRA <patdambra@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 3:39 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Tax on boats

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: paul.dunn <paul.dunn@cox.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 12:37 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boat Tax

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island boater of over 40 years, generating lots of revenue for our builders and marinas, I strongly oppose H6256. RI experienced huge suffering during the luxury tax days of the 1990's, and any idea to reimpose a boat sales or property tax is deeply flawed. It will be a net loser for the state.

The Ocean State is a special place, I sure hope we keep it that way.

Sincerely,

Paul Dunn
14 Canopy Lane
West Kingston, RI

Boldy Go (53' Alden, built in RI, in RI marina)
Qapla' (22' Grady White, in RI marina)

Chris O'Brien

From: Barbara Dawson <dawscom@cox.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 8, 2025 7:04 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Don't tax boats

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Please vote **NO** on **H6256**. Don't sink RI

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Chris O'Brien

From: Thomas Dawson <tdawsonarchitect@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 11:08 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boat Tax.

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island 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 our economy.

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

Sincerely,
Thomas A. Dawson
Bristol, RI

Thomas A. Dawson, RA, LEED AP, NCARB

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in Massachusetts & Rhode Island, Certified Green Architect/Designer since
2003, LEED Program (USGBC), Green Thesis Project (Commend Award),
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Please consider humanity and the environment before printing this email.

Chris O'Brien

From: Rob Doorley <robdoorley5@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:28 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Cc: Rep. Caldwell, Justine A.
Subject: I oppose the boating tax bill in RI

Subject: Opposition to Reintroducing the Boat Sales and Luxury tax

As a lifelong Rhode Island resident of 58 years, I've never felt compelled to write to an elected official—until now. I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposal to reintroduce the sales and luxury tax on boats.

Narragansett Bay is one of Rhode Island's most valuable natural resources, and boating and fishing remain some of the last accessible and affordable outdoor activities for residents and visitors alike. Reinstating this tax would not only make these pastimes less attainable for middle-class families, but it would also harm the small businesses and marine trades that rely on a healthy and vibrant boating economy.

We've already seen the negative impact this tax had before it was repealed: businesses moved to neighboring states, jobs were lost, and Rhode Island's competitive edge in the marine industry was weakened. Why repeat that mistake? Taxing your way out of a problem is the easy way out.

I urge you to reconsider this proposal and to protect an industry that supports our economy, our culture, and our connection to the Bay.

Sincerely,
Robert E Doorley Jr
East Greenwich, Rhode Island

Chris O'Brien

From: Mike Duggan <mduggan123@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:36 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: I oppose H6256 - DON'T TAX BOATS! #NoBoatTax #ProtectRIJobs

To whom it may concern,

I oppose H6256 - DON'T TAX BOATS! #NoBoatTax #ProtectRIJobs

Please don't do this. The economy is bad enough.

Thanks,

Mike Duggan
mduggan123@gmail.com
Narragansett RI

Chris O'Brien

From: john deacon <jdeacon.law@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:02 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

Dear Committee----As a RI boater, I strongly oppose H6256. Reinstating taxes on boats will drive both boaters and marine-related businesses out of state, threaten local jobs, and negatively the local economy. Please vote NO on H6256.

John D. Deacon, Jr. and Barbara Deacon
356 Spinnaker Lane
Bristol, RI 02809

Email: jdeacon.law@gmail.com

Chris O'Brien

From: Adriana DeMello <ademello@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:56 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

As a RI boat owner I am opposed to this tax. Please vote no.
Thank you, Adriana DeMello-Erickson

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Chris O'Brien

From: Marcia Durocher <marcianry@mac.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:50 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 Don'tTax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island 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 our economy.

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

Sincerely,

**Marcia Durocher
Coventry**

Chris O'Brien

From: Wendelyn Duquette <wmduquette@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:18 PM
To: House Finance Committee

I oppose the boat tax.

Wendelyn,

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Chris O'Brien

From: Viking Distribution <dana@newindow.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 5:22 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO TO H6256

Dear House Finance Committee

As a Rhode Island boater, I strongly oppose H6256

Reinstating a tax on boats will drive both boaters and marine-related business out of state. This will have a negative impact on our economy and way of life in the ocean state.

Please vote no on H6256 thank you

Regards,
Dana Dussinger

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Chris O'Brien

From: Christopher DelMastro <chris.delmastro3@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 5:24 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: No To The Boat Tax

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island 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 our economy.

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

Sincerely,
Chris DelMastro
South Kingstown

Chris O'Brien

From: Mary Van Deventer <maryvandeventer4@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 5:11 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boat Tax Bill

Dear Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island 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 our economy.

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

Mary P Van Deventer
Bristol, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Geoffrey Davis <gdavis@barkerdavis.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:59 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boat Tax

Please do not harm one of RI's only unique and growing industries – the marine industry – by enacting a boat tax.

The absence of sales and property taxes on boats has created thousands of jobs over the years and reinforces RI's status as one of the states most likely to benefit long term from the "blue economy."

Thank you for considering this email.

Geoffrey Davis
Former Chair, Slater Technology Fund

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Chris O'Brien

From: Lee Dawson <ldawson572@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:57 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: No to boat taxes.

With the tariff's upon us this is not the time to tax boats in RI.

Vote No

Chris O'Brien

From: arthur desrosiers <radcorder@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 8:25 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Tax on boats

Dumb idea to tax boats. Will reduce business. I kept my boat in RI for 20 years because no sales tax.

Arthur Desrosiers

561-504-0029

Obstacles are what you see....

....when you loose sight of the objective.

Chris O'Brien

From: Peter Dixon <phdixon226@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 8:26 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boat Tax

Dear House Finance Committee,

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

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

Sincerely,
Peter Dixon
Bristol, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Hillary Davidson <hgdaavidson401@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:22 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Proposed bill H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

Please vote NO on this bill. The marine industry is one of the few industries in our small state that is thriving and reinstating this tax would have a huge negative impact on the economy! We need to be innovative in growing our economy not to stifle it with taxes. I know more and more people choosing to leave RI for more tax friendly states, this is a terrible time to add taxation to one of the only sectors keeping the tax payers in the state!

Please contact me if you wish to discuss!

Best,

Hillary Davidson
Newport, RI
(Resident and business owner of 35 years) Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Mark Doorley <mark@doorleyagency.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:01 PM
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.

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

Sincerely,

Mark Doorley
East Greenwich RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Robert Dupre <robert.dupre@mail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:42 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Concerned Rhode Island Boater

As a Rhode Island boater, I strongly oppose House Bill 6256 and urge the committee to reject this bill. This tax would harm the marine industry, local businesses, and our boating community.

Chris O'Brien

From: Laura Doyle <lauradoyle45@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:37 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO to H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

As vice president of two federally documented commercial fishing vessels in Point Judith, I write to you in strong opposition of proposed bill H6256.

Reinstating this tax will negatively impact an already strained commercial fishing industry.

This is the ocean state, and reinstating this tax will threaten that title that many of us who make our living on the water are so proud of.

I am urging you to vote NO on H6256.

Sincerely,

Laura Doyle

Vice President

Jessie Jean Enterprises Inc. - F/V Seafarer, Point Judith RI
Seafarer Enterprises Inc. - F/V Charlie's Pride, Point Judith RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Connor Duckworth <cnrduck@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:31 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Please vote NO on H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island 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 our economy.

Please vote NO on H6256, dont sink Rhode Islands marine industry.

Sincerely,
Connor Duckworth
South Kingstown

Chris O'Brien

From: Kelsey Doyle <kelseydoyle1013@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:30 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Commercial and Personal Opposition to Bill H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

My name is Kelsey Doyle and I am the Secretary of two commercial fishing corporations based out of Point Judith, Rhode Island. My family owns and operates Jessie Jean Enterprises (F/V Seafarer) and Seafarer Enterprises (F/V Charlie's Pride). These boats have been owned by my family for decades.

The commercial fishing industry is **already severely** burdened. This tax would be a detriment to an industry that is at the heart of what makes Rhode Island so special.

Please consider the negative implications this tax will have on small business owners in this state. Commercial fishermen work hard to put food on the table for our neighbors to enjoy. This line of work is a privilege, an honor, and extremely difficult already - without this added tax on the vessels that bring us our income.

On a personal note, my family has enjoyed our recreational boat in our local waters as a means to relax and enjoy the natural bounty of our state. Please don't make this luxury of living in the ocean state more difficult for our average, working neighbor.

Sincerely,
Kelsey Doyle

Secretary: Jessie Jean Enterprises - F/V Seafarer and Seafarer Enterprises - F/V Charlie's Pride

Chris O'Brien

From: James Dooley <jdooley552@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:28 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: 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 st...

Chris O'Brien

From: Art Dulik <adulikjr@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:38 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Say NO to Boat Tax

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

Art Dulik
Cell (516) 383 8097
Email: adulikjr@outlook.com
art.dulik@gmail.com

Chris O'Brien

From: wrbtwks@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 2:08 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO to Boat Tax

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island 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 our economy.

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

Sincerely,
Paul Dennis
Warren River Boatworks, Inc.
Warren, RI 02885

Chris O'Brien

From: Dumas, Ted <ted.dumas.c9@mail.toray>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 2:00 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256-NoTax on Boats

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island 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 our economy. The industry is so seasonal as it is, many struggle to get by in the short time they must make ends meet, an additional expense will cause closures and without the facilities to support the summer tourism it could be detrimental to all the supporting businesses as well as the industry directly affected by this tax. Please vote NO on H6256. Don't sink Rhode Island's marine industry.

Sincerely,

Ted Dumas

Chris O'Brien

From: Josh Davidson <joshbdavidson@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:21 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: No taxes on boats

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island 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 our economy.

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

Sincerely,
Josh Davidson
Bristol RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Rand, David <david_rand@brown.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:14 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO BOAT TAX

Chris O'Brien

From: Nichole Denerley <ndenerley7@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:07 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

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Sincerely,

Nichole Denerley
Coventry, RI resident

Chris O'Brien

From: nobody special <flukefinder@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 12:06 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Cc: Ann Dean
Subject: Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee

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Sincerely,

Richard A Dean
Providence RI 02908

Chris O'Brien

From: Richard Dawber <keveric1771@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 11:38 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose+H6256+-+Don't+Tax+Boats

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Please+vote+NO+on+H6256.+Don't+sink+Rhode+Island's+marine+industry. Sincerely, [Your+Name] [Your+Town]

Chris O'Brien

From: Bill Doyle <bill@performanceresearch.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 11:31 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: VOTE NO on H6256

Re-instating the tax on boats will drive both boaters and marine related jobs out of state and will negatively impact our state's economy.

Please do not mess with one of the State's greatest success stories, and one that other states covet. The marine industry is alive and thriving because of the tax repeal. Reinstating the taxes may generate some short term revenue, but will cost the state in significant reductions in other tax revenue, and will kill a key industry that makes this state so unique.

Bill Doyle

Newport RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Brian Dursi <brian@rimta.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 11:17 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256-Opposition from RIMTA
Attachments: Opposition to H6265.pdf

Hello Christopher,

Please find the attached letter of written testimony from RIMTA for the House Committee on Finance in opposition to H6256. Thank you.

Regards,

Brian Dursi

Executive Director
Rhode Island Marine Trade Association
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Suite 320
Newport, RI 02840

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Cell: (401) 474-1831



Chris O'Brien

From: James Dow <jameshdow2012@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:19 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island 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 our economy.

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

Sincerely,

James Dow, Tiverton

Chris O'Brien

From: JOSEPH DUCAS <joseph84@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:01 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Concerned Rhode Island Boater

As a Rhode Island boater, I strongly oppose House Bill 6256 and urge the committee to reject this bill. This tax would harm the marine industry, local businesses, and our boating community. Joseph Ducas Jamestown RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Michael Deslauriers <mdeslauriers1.md@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:49 AM
To: House Finance Committee; Rep. Newberry, Brian C.; Rep. Brien, Jon D.
Subject: Oppose H6256 and Protect Rhode Island's Marine Economy

Dear Members of the House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island Boater and constituent, I respectfully urge you to oppose House Bill 6256. Reinstating a sales tax on boats and related services would significantly impact everyday Rhode Islanders by making boat ownership less accessible and placing unnecessary strain on a vital sector of our economy.

This proposal would drive boaters and marine businesses to neighboring states with more favorable tax policies, resulting in the loss of jobs and revenue across our coastal communities. The current exemption has helped build a thriving marine industry that benefits marinas, service providers, local clubs, and waterfront towns alike.

Please vote **no** on H6256 and continue to support the Rhode Island marine economy.

Thank you,
Michael H Deslauriers
2 Remington Circle
North Smithfield, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: JOSEPH DUCAS <joseph84@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:01 AM
To: House Finance Committee
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As a Rhode Island boater, I strongly oppose House Bill 6256 and urge the committee to reject this bill. This tax would harm the marine industry, local businesses, and our boating community. Joseph Ducas Jamestown RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Steve Davenport <parkside76@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:39 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

Subject: Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

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Sincerely,
Steve Davenport
Providence

Chris O'Brien

From: Larry DeMichele <larry.demichele@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 9:23 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Opposing boat tax.

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Sincerely,

Larry DeMichele
Saunderstown, RI
02874
401.743.0851 Mobile

Chris O'Brien

From: Steven Diraimo <amici1208@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 8:54 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Subject: Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

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

This has been tried before and doesn't work it is time to cut spending and reduce taxes.

*Sincerely,
Steve DiRaimo
North Providence RI
Sent by Steve*

Chris O'Brien

From: Warren DiClemente <wjdiclemente@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:08 AM
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Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Your Town]

Chris O'Brien

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Chris O'Brien

From: ROSEMARY DAVIDSON <rosiedav@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 7:06 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Taxes on Boatd

HouseFinance@rilegislature.gov

Dear House Finance Committee,

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

Sincerely,

Rosemary Davidson
Portsmouth, RI

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Kelley Dean <mkdean@1791.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 7:00 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

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 thought Rhode Island legislators learned their lesson many years ago in the late 80's to 90's and had to go back to no taxes on boats due to the massive loss in state revenues.

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

*Sincerely
Kelley Dean
Warwick*