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**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Dillon Fournier <dfournier21@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:23 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Tax on Boats

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Sincerely,

Dillon Fournier  
Tiverton

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**From:** Frank Flanagan <frankflanaganlaw@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:17 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Please vote no on H6256

Please don't sabotage our boating/maritime industry.

Please.

V/R

Frank Flanagan

Lawyernewportri.com

Sent from my iPhone, please excuse any spelling errors.  
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**From:** jimferry8@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 3:28 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** H6256

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Sincerely,

*Jim Ferry*  
*South Kingstown, RI*  
*(401) 486-2247*

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**From:** marc@frateschi.us  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 12:40 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee

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Sincerely,

Marc Frateschi  
Jamestown, Rhode Island

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**From:** Diane Feole <dianefeole@uri.edu>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:33 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

*Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats*

Good afternoon,

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But, a tax on our boat would surely price us out of a Rhode Island tradition, a luxury that all Rhode Islanders can enjoy, and should enjoy, if we choose to. We are seafaring people. To tax our boats would steal that opportunity from many of us, and once again, save it for only the wealthy.

Rhode Island has kept boating for its constituents because it is in our blood. On the water, all boats are equal, a sailfish passes, and we wave hello. A yacht, same. We are all equal. Please don't give this privilege to the rich only. If you do, you will contribute to the complete fall of what was once the middle class, and destroy what makes this Ocean State unique to its neighboring ocean states. Again, please vote NO to H6256.

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Sincerely,  
Diane Feole  
21 Donna Court  
Wakefield, RI 02879

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Adjunct Professor - Department of Professional and Public Writing  
University of Rhode Island

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**From:** Donald Franklin <don.fhcllc@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:28 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Boat tax

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Sincerely,  
Donald Franklin  
Coventry, RI



**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Diane Feole <dianefeole@uri.edu>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:27 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** opposing boat taxes

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**From:** Lisa Franklin <lfranklin@pag-cdg.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:23 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Boat Taxes

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

*Sincerely,  
Lisa Franklin  
Coventry, RI 02816*

*Lisa Franklin, HCCP  
Vice President Acquisitions & Development  
Cathedral Development Group, Inc.  
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Providence, RI 02903  
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[propertyadvisorygroup.com](http://propertyadvisorygroup.com) - website*

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**From:** Rick Ferris (Sheepdog) <rick.ferris@c12forums.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:22 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Opposing H6256 Boat tax

Dear House Finance Committee,

*We are such an economic disaster as a state, please don't hurt one of the only industries we can celebrate!  
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,

**Rick Ferris** | President

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**From:** Dario Ferreira <mariense@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:21 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

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*Sincerely,  
Dario Ferreira*

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**From:** Glenn Ferguson <fergy2253@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:19 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.

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Sincerely,

Glenn Ferguson  
Wakefield , RI 02879

Chris O'Brien

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**From:** JAY FERNANDES <jayjf@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:53 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** H6256

I have been boating in RI for the last 30 years. I witnessed the carcasses of former rhode island boat manufacturers, sub contractors and service companies when I first came to the state. I was told the industry was decimated by the 1991 boat tax implemented by the federal Government. It was as if a bomb went off. *I strongly oppose H6256. Reinstating a tax on boats will hurt everyday Rhode Islanders by pricing us out of access to our waters, again 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,  
Jay Fernandes  
Newport, RI*

**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Kelly Ferro <kellylferro@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:54 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Say NO to Tax 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,

Kelly Ferro

Newport, RI



**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Francesflt <francesflt@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 2:00 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** h6256

Dear House Finance Committee,  
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A Please vote NO on H6256. Don't sink Rhode Island's marine industry.

Sincerely,  
Frances Fleet

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**From:** Frechette, Jay <JFrechette@starshep.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 2:59 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose House Bill 6256 – Protect Rhode Island's Marine Jobs and Small Businesses

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a business in your district and a proud part of Rhode Island's recreational marine trades industry, I'm writing to urge you to oppose House Bill 6256, which recommends repealing the property and sales tax exemption for boats.

Its repeal would reduce demand not only for boats in the Ocean State, but also for services like storage, repair, insurance, financing, safety equipment, supplies, fuel and more. These interconnected services sustain local jobs and small businesses like mine. Eliminating the exemption would destabilize this network and directly impact our ability to retain and hire skilled workers.

It's also important to recognize that boaters are major contributors to our local economy, spending significantly on shoreside products and services such as food, restaurants, groceries, local retail, and tourist attractions. This spending supports a wide array of businesses far beyond the docks and boatyards, amplifying the economic impact of Rhode Island's marine industry.

This is not a tax on luxury, it's a setback for working Rhode Islanders and the thousands of jobs supported by our marine industry. Rhode Island's current tax policy gives us a critical edge over neighboring states like Massachusetts and Connecticut, helping attract boaters, investment and year-round business to our shores. Repealing this exemption would erase that competitive advantage, driving business elsewhere and jeopardizing the livelihoods of families and small businesses in our community.

Please consider your local businesses and workers by opposing House Bill 6256.

Sincerely,  
Jay Frechette  
Starkweather & Shepley  
100 Bellevue Ave.  
Newport, RI 02840



**Jay Frechette, CIC**  
*Senior Vice President*  
**Starkweather & Shepley Insurance**

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**From:** Denise Fogg <dnsfogg2000@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 2:55 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Boat Tax Opposition  
**Attachments:** Boating Tax Opposition.pdf

Please see my letter of opposition attached.

**Denise Fogg**

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**From:** John Fantozzi <salcrose@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 2:50 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Please keep the boating industry flowing in RI.  
No tax on boats  
Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Ralph Fraccola <fraccola@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:10 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee

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Sincerely,

R. Thomas Fraccola Cranston

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**From:** DENNIS FARIAS <farias66@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:14 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Subject: Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

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*Sincerely,  
Dennis and Kristine Farias  
West Greenwich, RI*

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**From:** mark ferri <maf2233@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 5:52 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Taxes

Stop texting, boats and other people's pleasures. It's not your right. The tax boats leave them alone. You earn enough money to do what you need to do. Stop I will not vote for any of you.

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S24+, an AT&T 5G smartphone

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**From:** PATRICIA FLINT <pattyannflint@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:36 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.



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**From:** Cody Fitzsimmons <caf1196@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:24 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** RI Tax Bill h6256

## **I Am Strongly Against H6256 Boat Tax Bill**

Cody Fitzsimmons  
Ri Resident and Boater

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**From:** farrellkevin7@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:57 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** H-5473

The Honorable Marvin Abney  
Chairman House Finance Committee  
RI State House Room 35  
Providence, RI 02903

OPPOSE H5473

Dear Chairman Abney and Members of the House Finance Committee

I'm writing today to express my strong opposition to H 5473, which if implemented would increase personal income tax rates. Higher taxes hurt the local economy.

To remain competitive, Rhode Island needs to remain tax friendly.

I urge you to oppose H 5473 and allow the State to continue to be an attractive place to grow businesses.

Sincerely,

Kevin Farrell

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**From:** frankfigla@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 10:12 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose Bill H6256

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Sincerely,  
Frank Figla (Tiverton)

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**From:** Steven Fortin <fishrn23@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 6:02 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

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**Sincerely,**  
**Steven Fortin**  
**Richmond, RI**

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**From:** david francis <francis.john.david@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 6:02 PM  
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Dear House Finance Committee,

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

DAVID J. FRANCIS  
TOWN OF WARREN

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**From:** Jules Friedman <jmfmd@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 5:59 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Cc:** alex@egisgroup.com  
**Subject:** H6256

Sirs

Narragansett Bay and the multifaceted boating industry it supports is one of our state's primary resources. I have been a boater in RI long enough to have experienced the near collapse of the boat manufacturing and sales industry which prompted the passage of the initial tax exemption bill. The resultant resurgence of new boat manufacturing and of used boat sales is especially tenuous and competitive with adjacent states. Summer boating in RI is an attraction for purchasers of real estate (as I can testify as one who moved here for the opportunity to sail the bay and who was incentivized by the opportunity to purchase both new and used boats here without taxes).

Given my experience, I believe it would be shortsighted to pass H6256 as any tax gains would be offset by the effects on local industry, employment, real estate and potential loss of potential taxpaying boaters coming to live in RI.

Thank you

Jules Friedman  
Jamestown, RI

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**From:** Michael Floriani <maximusfloriani@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 5:53 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** House Bill 6256 vote no

As a Rhode Island taxpayer, 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. We need to cut spending not raise taxes. I would elect a ham sandwich before any of you reps adding more taxes.\

Kindly

Michael C. Floriani



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**From:** Melanie Fougere <melanie.a.fougere@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 5:51 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Concerned Rhode Island Boater

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**From:** Kevin Foster <kjfpaf@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 4:32 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** NO TO H6256 BOAT TAX - IN THE OCEAN STATE

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,  
Kevin Foster  
34 Blueberry Lane  
South Kingstown, RI 02892

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**From:** Rich Feinen <rich@knot10.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 4:27 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** H6256

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Sincerely,

**Rich Feinen**  
**Knot 10 Yacht Sales**  
**Newport RI**  
**[978-660-1213](tel:978-660-1213) cell**  
**[410-827-9090](tel:410-827-9090) office**

**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Derek Furtado <dfurtado@fluxmarine.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:53 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Subject: Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee,

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Sincerely,  
Derek Furtado  
Bristol, RI

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**From:** Milo Ferrazzoli <mferrazzoli@fluxmarine.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:40 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

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Sincerely,  
**Milo Ferrazzoli**  
Lead Powertrain Engineer  
Bristol, RI 02809

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**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** JimRIgmail <jimfalconri@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:44 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Boat taxes

Please do not vote to reinstate the tax on boats. At a time when we need relief do not make life in Rhode Island more expensive.

Most boat owners do not have yachts. We are simple people trying to enjoy the natural beauty and resources in our Great State.

Best,  
Jim Falcon  
8 Brownell St.  
Warren, RI 02886