
Chris O'Brien

From: jack haire <jackhaire@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:16 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: 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. Don't sink Rhode Island's Marine industry.

Sincerely,

John Haire
Little Compton, RI
Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: William W Hallowell <billhallowell@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:30 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,

William W Hallowell
Newport, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: ROBERT HENDERSON <henders134@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:23 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Re: Greenwich Cove Marina-House Bill 6256

This proposed tax bill is not a good idea. This will put many boaters out of reach of enjoying our bay and spending dollars associated with the industry. Millions of revenue dollars will not be available for all the small businesses around the bay. I for one will have to cut back on day trips to local bay side restaurants, marina services, mooring reservations, marine supplies, or possibly selling my boat entirely. I probably will start to wonder, why even live in RI anymore.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 5, 2025, at 12:38, Elizabeth Berberick <eberberick@integramarinas.com> wrote:

Greenwich Cove Boaters,

Time is critical - we must act now!

We need your immediate help to stop a legislation that threatens the boating community.

House Bill 6256, the boat tax bill, has officially been scheduled for a hearing for the **House Finance Committee this Tuesday**

We now **urgently** need your help to **flood the committee with opposition emails and letters before it's too late.**

We need a strong, unified response and we're asking for your help.

Even if you've already contacted your local representative, please send an email directly to the committee at: HouseFinance@rilegislature.gov

Every email counts, even duplicates, and it's important that the committee hears from you before Tuesday afternoon.

Let's make sure the committee hears a loud united voice from our boating community.

Boaters please copy & paste the below information and email the House Finance Committee to oppose the proposed tax bill.

Chris O'Brien

From: Beverly Howard <bhow17@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:16 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

Committee Members:

As a Rhode Island boater and resident, I strongly oppose H6256. Reinstating a tax on boats will drive 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, Beverly Howard Westerly, Rhode Island

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Eric Hjerpe <eric@edgewoodoutfitters.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:49 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island boater and someone who works in the boating industry, 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 the livelihood of myself and thousands of other residents, and negatively impacting our economy.

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

Sincerely,
Eric Hjerpe

Chris O'Brien

From: Donn Hamilton <donnjhamilton@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:58 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,
Donn Hamilton
Cumberland*

Chris O'Brien

From: Matthew Haczynski <mkhaczynski@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 2:59 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, [Your Name] [Your Town]

Matthew haczynski
Glocester Rhode Island

Chris O'Brien

From: Matthew Haczynski <mkhaczynski@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 2:59 PM
To: House Finance Committee
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Chris O'Brien

From: Terry Hindermann <terryhindermann@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 2:20 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Proposed 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. Personally, I'll just register my boat elsewhere if enacted.

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

Sincerely,

Terry Hindermann
202-841-5563

Chris O'Brien

From: Brian Hogan <hogandmd@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 2:13 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 drive both boaters and marine-related businesses out of state, threaten local jobs and negatively impact our economy.

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

Sincerely
Brian Hogan
115 Sigourney Rd
Portsmouth RI 02871

Chris O'Brien

From: Greer Hunter <greerhunter11@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:43 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.

Thank you,

Greer Hunter
617.797.3803

Chris O'Brien

From: Gardner Howe <pghowe3@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:38 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: RI H6256

Dear House Finance Committee

I am writing to request the Committee reject RI H6256. The potential tax revenues this proposal might generate do not favorably compare to the costs associated with administering the program, nor to the negative impact on the RI marine industry.

Please reject RI H6256 and keep the Ocean State friendly for all boaters.

vr/pgh

Gardner Howe
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24 Red Cross Ave
Newport RI 02840

Chris O'Brien

From: ericholms20@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:37 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.

Eric Holmstedt

211 Love Lane

Warwick, RI 02886

401-219-6790

Chris O'Brien

From: Dave Huntley <dshuntley@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:43 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 drive both boaters and marine-related businesses out of state, threaten local jobs and negatively impact our tourism and economy.

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

Sincerely,
David S Huntley
Charlestown

Chris O'Brien

From: Michael Harrington <mharringtonri@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:41 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.

Michael Harrington
mharringtonri@gmail.com
401-524-0796

Chris O'Brien

From: K Hennessey <kmhennesseyjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 5:39 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. Please vote NO on H6256. Don't sink Rhode Island's marine industry.

Sincerely,
Kevin Hennessey
West Greenwich

Chris O'Brien

From: Bill Hewitt <hewittsbill@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:20 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.

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

Sincerely,

Bill & Leila Hewitt
Little Compton

Chris O'Brien

From: Eamon Hunter <eghunter9@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:55 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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Eamon Hunter
Boston University '19
Nottingham Business School '20

M: 617-529-2969
E: eghunter9@gmail.com

Chris O'Brien

From: Erin Howe <erinh2@mac.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:52 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

Dear House Finance Committee

I am writing to request the Committee reject RI H6256. As a military family we choose to retire in Rhode Island due to the favorable tax climate for military families and boaters. As boat owners we support employees at the marina where we keep our boat, the employees that work at our local boat club, the marine supply store that we visit weekly, and the marine industry that services our boat throughout the year. As a military family any additional costs would be a hardship and we may have to stop supporting these many Rhode Island marine industries through our boat ownership.

Please reject RI H6256 and keep the Ocean State friendly for all boaters.

Erin Howe

Chris O'Brien

From: Nuss Household <nusshousehold@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 5:15 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.

Respectfully,

Roger Nuss

Chris O'Brien

From: Jim Heagney <heagneyjim@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 5:08 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.

Jim Heagney
Jamestown RI

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: David Hopkinson <dhopkinson@cox.net>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:56 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, David Hopkinson, Warwick, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: beth heelan <heelanfam@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:52 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: oppose 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,
Reed Heelan
Portsmouth RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Bill Howard <bhowardchrome@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:52 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.

The tax free purchase of watercraft brings significant revenue to local businesses which feed the states coffers by creating jobs that pay income taxes. Eliminate the tax free advantage and those purchases could be made in Mass or Connecticut instead.

Property tax on boats will incentivize boaters to register or berth in other states, hurting the marina businesses.

Please vote NO on H6256.

Don't sink Rhode Island's marine industry.

Sincerely,

Bill Howard
Narragansett

Sent from my iPad

Chris O'Brien

From: William Hadfield <whadfield1@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:51 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Sales Tax on Boats

Please think like a business person.

The boat tax structure in R.I. is one the main and one of a few remaining reasons that people come to R.I. to live and vacation.

Respectfully
William Hadfield
Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: John Heelan <j.heelan2@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:48 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: oppose 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,

John P Heelan
Portsmouth RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Eric Haugen <warpnt@cox.net>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:47 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Please vote No on H6256

representative.

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,

Eric Haugen

Providence and Warwick, RI

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Brett Haire <bhaire@bravefamilyadvisors.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:23 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Please vote NO!

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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,

Brett Haire

Little Compton, RI

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Peter Hood <phdeerhunter1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:19 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.

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,

[Your+Name]Peter j Hood
[Your+Town] Charlestown ri

Chris O'Brien

From: Howard Huntoon <theneonswan@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:42 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

Sent from my iPhone

I'm encouraging the RI House to vote NO on H6256 to help save small boat owners recreational activity on or Bay and numerous jobs related to the same. Don't discourage a Rhode Islander from his favorite summertime activity Howard Huntoon Hope, RI 02831

Chris O'Brien

From: Lindsey Smith Hill <lindsey401@mac.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:10 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a long time 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,
Lindsey Smith Hill
Newport, RI

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Pinkie Sweet-Holland <pinkiesweetholland@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:35 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 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,

Regina A. Sweet-Holland

North Kingstown, RI 02852