

Chris O'Brien

From: Carlene Kincaid <carlenekincaid23@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:47 PM
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,
Carlene Kincaid
Hog Island RI
Portsmouth RI

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Darko Krsulic <darkoval012@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 5:08 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Say No To Boat Taxes

An annual boat registration fee for RI is one fee. Now you want to tax us again for waterways which the US Coast Guard maintains. I think that politicians are not working for the people if they continue to over tax its constituent's.

Sincerely,
V. Bruzzi

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: hans kresinski <hansk200@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 5:55 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

Please vote no on as it will hurt a lot of people and businesses

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Chris O'Brien

From: darkoval012@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:45 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Say no to boat tax

Darko Kršulić

Chris O'Brien

From: randy kilmon <rkilmon@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:46 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boat tax

Dear sir or Madame,
Taxes of this sort are net-negative.
The revenue you raise will come at the expense of other sources, hurting people in the process.

Thank you,
Randolph Kilmon

~_/_~

Chris O'Brien

From: lkern78 <lkern78@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:56 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Cc: Don Kern
Subject: Bill H6256

Proposed bill H6256 would reinstate a sales and annual property tax on boats in Rhode Island. Reinstating this tax would reverse years of growth in our state economy and hurt the working families and businesses that rely on recreational boating. This would result in boats leaving the state, spending would decline and small marine businesses and local jobs will suffer.

I would like you to vote no on this bill.

Sincerely,
Lynne A. Kern
32 Defiance Ave
Bristol, RI

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S23 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone

Chris O'Brien

From: Michael Komar <michaelgkomar@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:17 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,

Michael Komar
Jamestown RI

Chris O'Brien

From: jim kaczynski <jimkaczynski@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:06 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,

James Kaczynski jr.
Wakefield, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Pamela Kelley <pamkelley20@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 7:44 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boat Tax

Please do not consider passing this bill as it will crush one of the few bright spots in our local economy! We've nurtured this sector successfully for years - why would you kill it off so thoughtlessly?
Pam Kelley, Newport, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Ji Kim <jipukim@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 8:19 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: House Bill No. 6256

House Bill No. 6256

BY J. Lombardi, Potter, Perez, Biah, Morales, Ajello, Felix, Sanchez, Cruz, Hull
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
TAXATIO {LC2767/1} (Repeals the property tax and sales and use tax exemption
for boats.)

04/23/2025 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/02/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

I strongly oppose this bill. I have been boating for nearly 9 years now and it's been
one of the greatest things to do in RI. It creates a ton of commerce along the
waterways -

- restaurants, food, beer, wine, liquor store sales
- marinas - gas. Slip rentals, storage, maintenance

I have met so many local and out of state boaters who also feel this way. A lot of
out of state boaters would not be here if this was enacted, cutting out all of that
commercial revenue. I also feel a lot of out of staters would not stay in their RI slips,
resulting in a ton of out of state commerce.

Please vote no to this bill.

Ji Kim
147 Gilbert Stuart Drive.
Warwick, RI
401.749.0021
Jipukim@gmail.com

Chris O'Brien

From: Monika Keller <kellerm@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 8:17 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Opposing new 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,
Monika Andersson-Keller
Barrington

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Chris O'Brien

From: Diana Kryston <diana.kryston@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 3:20 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boat Tax

I think it would be short sided to taxing boats as the industry is such an asset to the state this would adversely effect the fishing and recreational communities

Sincerely

Diana Kryston
79 Terrace Ave
Riverside RI 02915

Chris O'Brien

From: Jonathan Kantorski <jkantorski1980@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:35 PM
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,
Jonathan Kantorski
Chepachet RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Shane Kirkland <shane.kirkland@farmersinsurance.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:34 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Against H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Proposed Bill H6256

Viewpoint: Against

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 cost of boats has increased dramatically since COVID 19, and they are becoming out of reach for the average boater. That's why I maintain my 22 year old boat because I can't afford to purchase a new one, let alone pay the sales tax.

Please vote NO on H6256. Don't sink Rhode Island's marine industry and hurt the average boater.

Sincerely,

Shane Kirkland
Coventry, RI Resident

Shane Kirkland, CPCU
PL Product Development Manager II
Farmers Insurance®
401-626-7427
shane.kirkland@farmersinsurance.com

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Chris O'Brien

From: John Kennedy <jwk62@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 9:39 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Don't tax the non rich boaters

"Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island, non \$5,000,000 boat owner and hard working, non wealthy 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 Kennedy Narragansett

Chris O'Brien

From: Shane Kirkland <shane.kirkland@farmersinsurance.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 8, 2025 12:29 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. The cost of boats has increased dramatically since COVID 19, and they are becoming out of reach for the average boater. That's why I maintain my 22 year old boat because I can't afford to purchase a new one, let alone pay the sales tax.

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Sincerely,

Shane Kirkland
Coventry, RI

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Chris O'Brien

From: Pamela Kelley <pamkelley20@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 9, 2025 7:15 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.

Pam Kelley
20 Willow St
Newport, RI. 02840

Sent from my iPad

Chris O'Brien

From: Amy Beth Krisanda <stageyourboatforsale@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 8, 2025 9:32 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,

Amy Beth Krisanda
Newport RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Bob Keefe <rkeefe60@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:12 PM
To: House Finance Committee; Rep. Kennedy, Brian Patrick; Rep. Cotter, Megan L.
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,

Robert Keefe

Hopkinton,RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Ron Lavoie <rlavoie9@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:50 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose+H6256+-+Don't+Tax+Boats

Dear+House+Finance+Committee

Please stay behind us taxpayers and vote no on the boat tax please Yes will affect many small businesses And individual families

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,
Ronald I Lavoie
[Your+Name]
[Your+Town]
Coventry Rhode Island

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Mike Kotuby <mkotuby@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:46 PM
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,
Mike Kotuby
Bristol, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Jean Knapp <jeandknapp@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 2:18 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Do not destroy RI's yachting industry

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,
jean Knapp
East Greenwich

Chris O'Brien

From: Keith Kyle <KKyle@orsonandbrusini.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 2:11 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Cc: Jerome Kirby; Tristram Worth
Subject: Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Importance: High

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island boater, and counsel to several marine sales and trade companies, 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.

Keith B. Kyle, Esq.
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WAKEFIELD: 336 Main Street, Wakefield, RI 02879

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211 QUAKER LANE, SUITE 201

WEST WARWICK, RI 02893

ALL OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE FIRM (PHONE, FAX, EMAIL, ETC.) WILL REMAIN THE SAME. OUR SATELLITE OFFICE LOCATIONS IN NEWPORT AND WAKEFIELD, AND THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION, WILL ALSO REMAIN THE SAME.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT OUR NEW LOCATION SOON!

NEWPORT: 195 Broadway, Newport, RI 02840

WAKEFIELD: 336 Main Street, Wakefield, RI 02879

Chris O'Brien

From: Susan Kilduff <sjkilduff@uri.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 2:10 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Approve

This is in relation to the 3% tax surcharge on Higher Income individuals.
I agree you should approve this legislation in Rhode Island (H-5473).

Three percent would not hurt someone making over \$100,000, while we have Rhode Islanders that are having trouble paying their rent and utilities, especially electricity in RI with the transportation charge.

Susan Kilduff

Chris O'Brien

From: Sarah Klein <hansar2931@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 2:02 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: No tax on boats

No tax on boats

Doug

Chris O'Brien

From: Donald Kroha <krohadonald@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:31 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 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,
Donald Kroha
Wakefield RI
Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Nick King <nick@bristoliterealestate.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:01 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 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,
Nick King
Portsmouth, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Sarah Klein <hansar2931@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:20 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: No Boat Tax

Please No Boat tax in RI.

Doug

Chris O'Brien

From: Slhazard <slhazard@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:18 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a long time RI boater, I strongly oppose H6256. How do we go backwards? Reinstating a tax on boats will drive both boaters and marine-related businesses out of state, threaten local jobs and inevitably have a negative impact on our economy. PLEASE VOTE NO on H6256. Keep RIs marine industry thriving!

Sincerely,
Sharon Kimatian
Coventry, RI

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Jim Konz <jim.konz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:11 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 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,
Jim Konz
Bristol, RI

Seriously - why would you bite the hand that feeds you in the OCEAN STATE??

Chris O'Brien

From: T K <tomk0699@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:23 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,

Thomas Kimberley
Coventry RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Deb Kosior <lukeandsadie@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 12:31 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Please No Boat Taxes

Sent from my iPhone **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,
Edward and Deborah Kosior III
Tiverton*

Chris O'Brien

From: Roger Knight <rksnowsurf@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 12:40 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Do not Tax our Marine industry on Boat Sales, Services and Purchases

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,
Roger L Knight
Glocester, Rhode Island.*

Chris O'Brien

From: quahog03@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 12:08 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

I strongly oppose H6256. Reinstating atax 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,
Edward Klek
Tiverton RI

Chris O'Brien

From: mk@michaelking.io on behalf of Michael King <mk@michaelking.io>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 11:01 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Newport resident with a boat in Newport harbor, 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,
MK

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Michael E. King
(617) 633 0828

Chris O'Brien

From: Jake Kahn <jake@theflatironworks.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 11:23 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Concerned RI 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. The amount of revenue in all it's forms (cruising yachtsman frequently all the different Narragansett Bay, and all Rhode Island waters), all the revenue for maintenance provided at and for Rhode Island boat owners etc. etc.

Such a bad idea with a ton of unintended consequences and lost revenues.

Jake Kahn
Rear Commodore Jamestown Yacht Club
RI /Jamestown Resident for 75 years
Boat Owner for 20 years

Chris O'Brien

From: sandykrist@cox.net
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 11:14 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boating 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,

Andrew Kristiansson

Chris O'Brien

From: Laureen Koch <Laureen.Koch@liladelman.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:58 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Please oppose HR 6256

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,
Laureen Koch

Laureen Koch

Sales Associate

M: 401.447.3062 **O:** 401.789.6666
Laureen.Koch@liladelman.com

41 Ocean Road
Narragansett, Rhode Island 02882

Lila Delman
EST. 1964

COMPASS

NEWPORT NARRAGANSETT WATCH HILL PROVIDENCE
BLOCK ISLAND JAMESTOWN LITTLE COMPTON

Chris O'Brien

From: Laureen Koch <Laureen.Koch@liladelman.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:58 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Please oppose HR 6256

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,
Laureen Koch

Laureen Koch

Sales Associate

M: 401.447.3062 **O:** 401.789.6666
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Narragansett, Rhode Island 02882

Lila Delman
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COMPASS

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Chris O'Brien

From: Jimlinda1143 <jimlinda1143@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 5:00 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Proposed Bill 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 our State, threaten local jobs and negatively impact our economy.

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

Sincerely,

James F. Kenney
Westerly, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Michele Komosa <michelehoughtaling@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:32 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Fwd: BILL #6256

It is with both concern and sorrow that I write to you. As Massachusetts residents we spend every weekend in RI boating. Not only do we purchase gas for our boat and truck in RI, we purchase boat supplies, groceries and dine out in RI restaurants.

I'm not sure how many vessels are in RI but I'm thinking it must be tens of thousands. Many boat owners will likely pull their boats out and/or sell their boats. This week be a huge economic loss for the Ocean State.

It is with strong conviction that I oppose BILL #6256

Sincerely,
Michele Houghtaling
413 768-8210

Chris O'Brien

From: Drkhoury <drkhoury@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 9:17 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 No Boat Bill

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,

Charles Khoury
Tiverton, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Nick Kyriakos <nick.islandmarine@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 8:48 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO 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,

Nick Kyriakos

Barrington RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Jessica Klass <jessicabklass@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 8:46 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Noooo to tax boats! Come on RI, we can do better.

Chris O'Brien

From: Wise Kraken <wisekrakencharters@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 8:17 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO on H6256: NO tax on boats
Attachments: H6256boattax.pdf

To the House Finance Committee

Please vote NO on H6256

PDF attached...

Wise Kraken Charters, LLC

Capt. Matt Cox
aboard the 38' "Laura Ann"
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Chris O'Brien

From: Wise Kraken <wisekrakencharters@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 8:00 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO on H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island resident, small business owner, employer, and owner/operator of a modest Charter Fishing Company, I strongly oppose H6256.

Reinstating a tax on boats will threaten to drive boaters and marine related businesses out of state, threaten local jobs and have a negative impact on our local economy.

Please vote NO on H6256. Keep the Ocean State working on the water!

Captain Matthew Cox
Wise Kraken Charters, LLC
630 Kings Factory Rd.
Charlestown RI 02813
401 575 2572

Chris O'Brien

From: Tim Keefe <timk@a1db.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:06 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: H6256

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.

Please help keep our boat in Rhode Island.

Tim Keefe

Portsmouth Ri

Chris O'Brien

From: Bill Kneller <bill_kneller@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 9:06 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Please Reject House Bill 6256

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. I am a boater and teach the Rhode Island Safe Boating Course as a DEM volunteer.

Bill Kneller
Portsmouth, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Tim Kohl <tim@taityachts.net>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:38 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: No Tax on Boats

Hi,
Having no tax on boat sales is a huge advantage for boat sellers in Rhode Island. Millions of dollars are spent on boats and the care of those boats after the sale.
As a RI yacht broker, I see the No Tax on boats daily

Do now pass this legislation

Thank you



Tim Kohl

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Newport Rhode Island Office

Chris O'Brien

From: Douglas Kelsey <dougkelsey@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:37 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: No to adding tax to marine industry house bill H6256

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,
Jodi M Kelsey
Barrington, RI 02806

Chris O'Brien

From: Teresa Karn <tkarn@mancinibeverage.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:35 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Proposed Bill 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,

Teresa Karn

Newport

Teresa Karn
Sales Analyst

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Chris O'Brien

From: Scott Karn <sailingkarn@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:50 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee

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

Sincerely,

[Scott Karn]
[Newport]

Chris O'Brien

From: DENA KIST <dkist@cox.net>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:55 PM
To: House Finance Committee; DENA KIST
Subject: Bill H6256 - Please oppose!!

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,

Dena M Kist

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Chris O'Brien

From: dariusz kolodziejczak <derekkolo1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:57 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,
dariusz kolodziejczak
johnston ri 02919

Chris O'Brien

From: James kaczynski Sr <captjameskaz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 2:52 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.

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] Jamesn R Kaczynski Sr
[Your Town] Wakefield RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Dan Kershaw <dkershaw@callico.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 2:25 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256 Boat tax NO

Subject: *Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats*

Dear House Finance Committee,

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

Sincerely,

Dan Kershaw
North Kingstown

Chris O'Brien

From: Ken S Klaus <ksklaus@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 2:24 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: 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.*

Respectfully Submitted,

*Kenneth S. Klaus
Warwick, RI*

Chris O'Brien

From: David Kiernan <dkiernan10@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 1:10 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boating sales tax elimination

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.*

David Kiernan
Scituate, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Tony Knowles <tonyknowlessurvey@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:36 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.

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Judie Kisseberth <jwkiss63@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:53 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO 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,

Judith and John Kisseberth

Narragansett
Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Kenneth Kogut <kenkogut@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:50 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.

Chris O'Brien

From: Peter Keyes <PeterK@morantug.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:39 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.

Peter R. Keyes
(203) 247-1279
e-mail: pkeyes@morantug.com

Chris O'Brien

From: Jake Kahn <jake@theflatironworks.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:56 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO TAX ON BOATS

Why would anyone think this is a good idea. Or is it the intention to eliminate the revenue in all its avenues that the marine industry brings into the state

This is a bill that absolutely should not pass

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: David Knapp <dknapp427@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:56 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Oppose H6256- Dont Tax Boats!

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 Knapp

East Greenwich

Chris O'Brien

From: Judy <judyknowles@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 5:12 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Boat tax exemption

As a boat owner, and a retiree from the boating industry (surveyor, professional boat crew) and an avid supporter of the many benefits that boating on our waters provides for recreational, vocational and environmental stewardship, I oppose bill 8256 which would eliminate boat tax exemption . Please support me and those who most cherish the waters and the multifaceted economic and environmental enrichment that boating provides.

Thank you.

Judy Knowles
Middletown RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Jimlinda1143 <jimlinda1143@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 5:11 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Proposed Bill 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 our State, threaten local jobs and negatively impact our economy.

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

Sincerely,

Linda L. Kenney
Westerly, RI

Chris O'Brien

From: Anthony Klick <amaklick@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 5:03 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Bill H6256 Oppose

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island boater, I strongly oppose H6256.

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

Sincerely,

Anthony Klick Wakefield RI
Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: mattklos11@aol.com
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:51 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO on H6256

Please vote NO on bill H6256. I work in the boat sales industry, it's rough enough as it is.

Sincerely,
Matthew Klos
Westerly, RI
So. Glastonbury, CT..

Chris O'Brien

From: Craig Kinnane <cskinnane@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:37 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Vote no on H6256

"Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island boater and a person who works in the Marine industry 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,

Craig Kinnane. Portsmouth Rhode Island.

Sent from my iPhone

Chris O'Brien

From: Justin Kudlacik <justin.kudlacik@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 4:20 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Please oppose H6256

I am writing to voice opposition to H6256. As a constituent, I feel that this bill should not leave committee. It would absolutely destroy the marine industry in Rhode Island.

A state that touts itself as the ocean state and relies heavily on the maritime environment for tourism should not target the businesses and folks that support the economy through boating.

This bill will cripple our local economy and make boating inaccessible and unaffordable for middle class folks like myself. Barely able to scratch the Pennie's together to keep a boat, but love enjoying the beauty of our state..I will have to go elsewhere and move (at least the boat) to MA or CT.

Please oppose this stupid and undesirable bill.

Very Respectfully,
Justin Kudlacik
RI Resident

Chris O'Brien

From: Chris Kucich <ckucich@fluxmarine.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:46 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 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,
Chris Kucich

Bristol, RI

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Chris O'Brien

From: Don Kern <don-kern@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:47 PM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: NO on H6256

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Sincerely,

Donald Kern
Bristol, RI