

**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Jane <tracysailor2@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 5:07 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Say 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,  
Richard & Jane Tracy  
Middletown, RI

Sent from my iPhone

**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** warrior077 (null) <warrior077@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:32 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** 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,  
Jon Tisdale  
South Kingston, RI

Sent from my iPhone

**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** tng414@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 7, 2025 5:12 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Cc:** John Tomasso  
**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,

Theresa N. Tomasso  
15 Northup Plat Road  
Coventry, RI 02816

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**From:** M Thork <mcthorkilsen@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 7, 2025 4:58 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't 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 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.

Sincerely,  
Melissa Thorkilsen  
North Kingstown

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Harold Toffey <toffeyharold@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 7, 2025 8:10 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** As a Rhode Island boater I strongly oppose H6256

Harold Toffey  
149 Community drive  
South Kingstown R.I.

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**From:** Dennis <detay61@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 7, 2025 7:52 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Yes H6256 - Please Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee

As a Rhode Island boater, I strongly support H6256.

I can't imagine that any patriotic Rhode Islander would dodge a minimal tax on luxury items like yachts and sailboats. This Tax sounds like a good idea for the people of Rhode Island and it has my strong support.

Please vote YES on H6256.

Sincerely,

Dennis Taylor  
Warren, Rhode Island

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**From:** John Trevor <jtrevor4@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 7, 2025 10:18 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** OPPOSE H 5473

May 6, 2025

The Honorable Marvin Abney  
[HouseFinance@rilegislature.gov](mailto:HouseFinance@rilegislature.gov)  
Chairman, House Finance Committee  
Rhode Island State House – Room 35  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

OPPOSE H 5473

Dear Chairman Abney and Members of the House Finance Committee,

I am writing today express my strong opposition to H 5473, which seeks to increase personal income tax rates. Higher taxes will hurt everyone – from small businesses to the non-profits that rely on philanthropy to the single mother who can't find a well-paying job.

The proposed increase in H 5473 is aimed directly at small “mom and pop” businesses that pay taxes as a pass-through entity. Higher taxes will only serve to burden successful small businesses, making it harder to create jobs and contribute to the local economy.

Furthermore, increasing taxes will make Rhode Island less competitive compared to other states. Businesses are constantly evaluating their options when it comes to location, and higher taxes can be a significant factor in their decision-making process. If Rhode Island becomes less tax-friendly, businesses may choose to locate or relocate to states with more favorable tax policies, taking jobs and revenue with them. This trend has already been underway for years and will be exacerbated by this legislation.

In order to promote economic growth and prosperity in Rhode Island, it is crucial that we maintain a business-friendly environment. I urge you to oppose H 5473 and work towards policies that businesses and encourage investment in our state.

Sincerely,  
John & Genie Trevor

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**From:** Terry Toomey <tmt@futureaffairs.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 7, 2025 1:31 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.

Theresa DelMonaco  
Coventry RI 02816

Terry Mulryan Toomey  
President



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**From:** Rocky Toomey <rocky@futureaffairs.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 7, 2025 1:29 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 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,

Rocky Toomey  
Coventry

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**From:** Charlene Thrasher <cbthrasher6@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:15 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 and businesses by pricing us out of access to our waters, driving both boaters and marine-related businesses out of state, threatening local jobs, manufacturing, and negatively impacting our economy and tourism.

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

Charlene Thrasher

Cumberland, RI 02864

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**Diversity and Inclusion, which are the real grounds for creativity, must remain the center of what we do!**  
**Marco Bizzarri**

**Charlene B. Thrasher**  
**FSO-DV 07-08**  
**ADSO-DV, DIV 1 (01-02)**  
**ADSO-DV, DIV 2 (01-05-08)**  
**ADSO-DV, DIV 7 (02-08-09)**  
**Instructor**  
**Vessel Examiner**

[cbthrasher6@gmail.com](mailto:cbthrasher6@gmail.com)

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**From:** warrior077 (null) <warrior077@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:31 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** 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,  
Jon Tisdale  
South Kingston, RI

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** mike thornton <ixtapamike@live.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:50 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,  
John Thornton  
Cumberland*

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**From:** Larry Tambascio <larry@tambascio.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:30 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,  
Larry Tambascio  
Bristol

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device  
Get [Outlook for Android](#)

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**From:** Carlton Tucker <carlontucker55@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:31 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** VOTE NO, NO, NO on BOAT TAX

Please vote **NO** on proposed bill H6256!

Carlton Tucker  
Bristol, RI. 02809

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**From:** Carlton Tucker <carlontucker55@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:34 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Re: VOTE NO on 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,

Carlton Tucker  
Bristol, RI. 02809

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**From:** Jean Tammaro <jeantammaro@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 4:44 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Strong Opposition to 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 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.

Sincerely,

Jean Tammaro and William Heagney  
North Kingstown, RI

Jean Tammaro  
[jeantammaro@gmail.com](mailto:jeantammaro@gmail.com)  
401-954-4886



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**From:** Nate Tilman <natetilman@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 2:15 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Say 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,  
Nathan Tilman  
Portsmouth, RI

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**From:** Grant Tankoos <granttank@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 12:43 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Strong Concerned Rhode Island maritime industry

Of whom it may concern –

As a Rhode Island boater, have family property in RI ( Newport) and 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 have been a frequenter of RI and its marine industries for over 30 years, am a member of a Yacht club in RI and come to enjoy the beautiful coastline, marine industry, friends and great people. Please re-consider this bill and realize the devastating affects it would have on the RI Marine industry and community.

Submitted with respect,

Grant Tankoos

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**From:** Chamberlin, Theodore <tchamberlin@NEIT.EDU>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 12:55 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,

North Kingstown Resident

Ted Chamberlin  
Marine Technology Professor  
1 New England Tech Blvd  
East Greenwich, RI 02818  
401-739-5000 ext. 3423  
tchamberlin@neit.edu

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**From:** Steven M Trindade SR <steventsr@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 12:38 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

Steven M Trindade  
180 Randolph Ave,  
Tiverton RI. 02878

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**From:** restart\_riches.9q@icloud.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 12:13 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 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,

Abby Tuthill  
Jamestown

**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** MICHAEL TAMULAITES <laites@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 11:12 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee

As a Rhode Island boater, and a current employee in the Rhode Island marine 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 local jobs, and negatively impacting our economy.

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

Sincerely,

Michael Tamulaites  
Bristol, RI

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**MICHAEL TAMULAITES**  
laites@mac.com | 401.835.4437  
bristol | rhode island | united states

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**From:** JAMES TERRANOVA <jaterranova@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:17 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,

James and Maureen Terranova

Jamestown, RI

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**From:** Eric <edt528@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 5:02 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** H6256

Hello

My name is Eric Thurston and I strongly oppose bill H6256. This bill seems to just be an excuse to squeeze more money out of taxpayers. This was tried before and failed miserably. Bill H6256 is another example of state democrats trying to solve problems by attacking the rich or who they think the rich are. I say state democrats because every single supporter is a democrat. Many of the boaters I know are believe it or not, not rich. They work overtime all winter to barely be able to Afford to escape for a couple weeks and weekends on their boat. I also love how the sponsors are representatives of areas that do not have a maritime presence. This bill is rediculous and basically robbery and probably the most notable taxation without representation sample I have seen in quite some time. What does the boat owner receive for paying tax on their boat? Will you dredge harbors, install state transient docking, improve ramps or expand on them? Provide state moorings or state launch services? Will there be any benefit whatsoever ever to a boat tax to the boat owner. Isn't that why we pay taxes? To receive some sort of service from said tax? So far this state just takes tax money and wastes it away on rediculous bills and efforts. Before trying to take away our rights such as gun ownership or more taxes why don't we take care of problems at hand first such as replacing the Washington bridge. Have we forgot about that. Until you can fix our problems at hand leave the taxpayers alone don't dare ask for more money from us. If you go through with this bill you will effectively damage yet another industry in this state that is a large part of this state's history and identity. I hope you make the right decision.

Thank you

Eric Thurston

401-864-8779

Sent from my iPhone



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**From:** Jim Thompson <thompsonproperties@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 8:56 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.

James Thompson

Thompson Properties LLC  
PO Box 657  
Barrington RI 02806  
4016419391

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**From:** Cliff Timpson <ctimpson262@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 8:57 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee; mcgaw@rilegislature.gov  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

*Dear House Finance Committee and Representative McGaw,*

*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,  
Clifford J. Timpson  
Little Compton*

**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Carson Turowski <carson.turowski@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 8:21 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** 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.

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

Carson Turowski  
c-(410) 903-3439  
Skype: carsonlt

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**From:** Tom Torrico <torricoelectric@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 8:07 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,  
Tom torrico

[Your Name]  
[Your Town]

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** John Tally <jtally@blockislandferry.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:18 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Boat Tax

Committee members,

Fishing industry has seen its fair share of over regulation. The industry is steadily shrinking ,being bought by hedge funds, and overseas companies. Implementing another tax would force small family fishing fleet to tie their boats up. Say NO to taxing boats.

Thank you,

John Tally  
Port Engineer  
Interstate Navigation Co  
The Block Island Ferry  
jtally@blockislandferry.com  
401 487-6107 cell

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**From:** Eric Todd <ect6673mp@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:16 AM  
**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, Eric Todd little Compton RI

## Chris O'Brien

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**From:** JAMES TERRANOVA <jaterranova@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:17 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,  
James and Maureen Terranova  
Jamestown, RI

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**From:** John Travassos <johntravassos1@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:21 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** H6256

Dear Representatives:

Please vote No against Bill H6256. It will damage the marine industry in Rhode Island.

Frankly, I'm in the market for a boat, but increased costs due to an expensive tax might kill the deal.

We are taxed too high already. Please reject H6256.

John Travassos  
Warren, RI

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone



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**From:** Eliza Thornton <thornton.eliza@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 7:02 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,

Eliza Thornton  
Portsmouth, RI

Sent from my iPhone

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**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Neil Tardio <n.tardio@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:41 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

DONT TAX BOATS. ENOUGH IS BEING TAXED! Most boats are a valuable human expression of relaxation and peace with friends and family./ Neil Tardio

## Chris O'Brien

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**From:** k1dt@verizon.net  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:39 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Say no to proposed House Bill H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island boater and Past Commodore of Rhode Island Yacht Club, 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,

David Tessitore

Warwick RI

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**From:** Sharron Tyrell <sharrontyrell@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  
Say NO to tax on boats!!!

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]

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Peter Twombly <peter@ettarchitects.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:48 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** 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,

Peter Twombly

Jamestown, RI 02835

**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** CaptRichT1@aol.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 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. Recently the annual tax on automobiles was removed and putting back a tax on boats is going in the opposite direction. I believe there are a high percentage of boats in this state that are small family crafts. Should those people decide to keep their boats, this tax will put an additional burden on middle income families. Please vote NO on H6256. Don't sink Rhode Island's marine industry.

Sincerely,  
Rich Templeton  
South Kingstown

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**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Jack Taber <jack.taber@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,

John Taber

East Greenwich (summers)

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**From:** Scott Travers <travers.risaa@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 2:13 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee; RISAA-Legislative@groups.io; Rep. Shekarchi, K Joseph  
**Subject:** RISAA Position letter on H6256  
**Attachments:** H 6256 comment letter.docx

Good afternoon,

Please accept this position letter from the RI Saltwater Anglers Association regarding H6256.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Scott Travers  
Executive Director  
RI Saltwater Anglers Association  
401-826-2121  
travers@risaa.org



**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** Scott Thurber <thurbersw@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:09 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance, Committe,

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,

Scott Thurber

East Greenwich, RI

## Chris O'Brien

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**From:** John Tegtmeyer <keyjt@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:06 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

*Dear House Finance Committee,*

*As a boater in N Kingston, Rhode Island, 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.*

*John*



**John Tegtmeyer**  
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**From:** mellissat <mellissat@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:05 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 – Don't Tax Boats

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,

-Mellissa Taylor  
Tiverton RI

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**From:** Thomas Tracy <thomas.tracy@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 1:03 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. Don't sink Rhode Island's marine industry.

Sincerely,  
Thomas Tracy  
Cranston, RI

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**From:** Jeff Troia <jtroia1984@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 7:16 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. Please don't sink Rhode Islands marine industry

Sincerely,  
Jeffrey Troia  
Cumberland, RI

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**From:** L J Thon <ljthon1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:55 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Bill H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island boater, I strongly oppose H6256.

Several years ago I moved my boat to Rhode Island waters due to your favorable taxation. I spend Five months a year on my boat and spend money in RI stores, restaurants and winter marinas.

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

joe Thon  
55 Prospect St  
Stafford Springs, CT 06076  
Westerly Yacht Club  
Sent from Joe Thon's iPad

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**From:** L J Thon <ljthon1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 6:45 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee

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

L. J. Thon  
Westerly Yacht Club  
Westerly, RI

Sent from Joe Thon's iPad

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**From:** Steven Tiexiera <stripersw2@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:45 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.

Steven Tiexiera  
Jamestown

Sent from my iPhone



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**From:** John Tally <jtally@blockislandferry.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:18 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Boat Tax

Committee members,

Fishing industry has seen its fair share of over regulation. The industry is steadily shrinking ,being bought by hedge funds, and overseas companies. Implementing another tax would force small family fishing fleet to tie their boats up. Say NO to taxing boats.

Thank you,

John Tally  
Port Engineer  
Interstate Navigation Co  
The Block Island Ferry  
jtally@blockislandferry.com  
401 487-6107 cell

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**From:** warrior077 (null) <warrior077@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025 3:32 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** 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,  
Jon Tisdale  
South Kingston, RI

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Steven Tilley <stilley@smtcapital.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 5:55 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

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Sincerely,

Steven Tilley  
Jamestown RI

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**From:** James J. Tetreault <tetjaymojo@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 4:38 PM  
**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]  
James Tetreault  
508-930-3807  
Ok to text.

**Chris O'Brien**

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**From:** JT <raggpt12@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 4:33 PM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose+H6256+--+Don't+Tax+Boats

Dear House Finance Committee,

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

Sincerely'  
James Tollefson  
Middletown, RI

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