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**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** H6256 Boat Tax

Dear Committee Members,

As a lifelong Rhode Islander, I can think of nothing that exemplifies Rhode Island more than boating in our beautiful Ocean State. Many are drawn to our great State to take advantage of all the benefits our ocean offers through both the recreational and commercial boating industry. Reinstating a tax on boats will have a detrimental effect on all Rhode Islanders who enjoy the water. In these turbulent times, we must think of the impact on small businesses and boaters alike. We constantly say we want to be more pro-business and yet this is another example of doing the opposite. Let's encourage tourism, recreational boating and marine related businesses by voting NO on H6256.

Thank you for your consideration.

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