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I understand the need to raise revenue, but let's face it, there's a lot of waste in RI expenditures too. Let's work on that before taxing boaters. Our marine-related businesses are essential to RI and our economy. If you still feel the need to do something on the revenue side, consider a modest tax on recreational boats over 50' in length. Folks who own boats that large can afford a modest property tax. A sales tax of any kind would counter-productive. RI already has the highest taxes in New England. Let's not drive more business out of state. Thanks Malcolm Malcolm Griggs Warwick, RI