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**From:** Ted Hood <thood@wellingtonyachts.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 5, 2025 9:19 AM  
**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Oppose H6256 - Don't Tax Boats

Dear House Finance Committee

As a Rhode Island boater and marine business owner, 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. Weare the ocean state after all!

Thank you!

Ted Hood