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From: Tripp Carolan <tripp.carolan@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:58 AM
To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Don't Tax Boats Oppose H6256

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a Rhode Island boater, I strongly oppose H6256.

I work in the marine industry, now at Flux Marine but also spent a summer working at Champlain's on the Block and spend much of my summers fishing and spearfishing the bay. My entire life in Rhode Island has revolved around our incredible geography and it would be a shame to add obstacles for others, it is truly what makes our state special.

One of the reasons companies like Flux, Anduril, VATN, and Vessev that raise millions of dollars and provide high paying, high skill jobs are setting up shop in our state is because of our maritime excellence, with a large, skilled workforce and plenty of companies in the industry. If we make it less appealing for those companies to come and stay in RI, less appealing for workers to be in RI we will have undone what seems to be the most positive recent trend in Rhode Island business in my lifetime.

Please vote NO on H6256.

Sincerely,
Tripp Carolan
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