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AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPLICABILITY OF THE SALES AND USE TAX TO BOATS

Senator Fonfara, Representative Widlitz and distinguished members of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee, thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony on House Bill No. 6576, AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPLICABILITY OF THE SALES AND USE TAX TO BOATS.

This bill extends the period of the sales and use tax exemptions for winter boat storage, maintenance, and repair. This bill also exempts sales of boats from the sales and use tax if the vessel is docked in the state for sixty days or less.

Because the state continues to face significant financial challenges, the administration cannot support extending these tax exemptions in this economic climate.

I would like to again thank the committee for the opportunity to present this testimony. I respectfully request the Committee's rejection of this bill.