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**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** Wednesday, 4/7 Hearing on Budget Article 1, Section 18 (Extension of Bonds)

My name is Angela Humphrey, I'm from Providence and I use RIPTA as my primary way of getting to work, school and to run errands.

I'm very concerned about the loss of a central bus hub where I can make timely transfers and connections to get where I'm going. Breaking up transfer locations means that it will take me even longer than it already does to get where I'm going by bus.

I'm especially upset that RIDOT will use the 2014 Mass Transit Hub Infrastructure Bond funds to dismantle and deconstruct the central bus hub in Kennedy Plaza. This was not what voters like me intended when I voted in favor of that bond. It is worth noting that this move also unfairly impacts low income individuals, POC, the disabled and the elderly which is extremely tone deaf in today's political climate.

Please amend Article 1, Section 18 by inserting the following two sentences beginning on line 6 of as follows:

"Per the 2014 Mass Transit Hub Infrastructure Bond ballot question, funds may only be utilized to fund enhancements and renovations to transit hub infrastructures. No bond funds may be utilized to dismantle or otherwise deconstruct the state's primary transit hub in Kennedy Plaza."

Thank you,

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