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We strongly oppose BILL 5469 for the following reasons:

- The bill attempts to circumvent the provisions of the Rhode Island Constitution
- The language of "10 feet from the most recent high tide line" is virtually unenforceable
- The language of "Protected conduct shall include, **but not be limited to**, fishing, gathering seaweed, swimming, and passage along the shore" - would indicate non-property owners can do basically anything on our property.
- The bill renders the Police Department helpless from protecting property owners from unwanted trespassing and vandalism.
- The language itself makes it impossible for a reasonable person to determine if a violation has occurred.
- The timing of the bill's introduction and a judiciary hearing clearly prohibits thousands of property owners from discussing a more sustainable course of action for shoreline access

Thank you
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