

June 14, 2021

The Honorable Evan P. Shanley Chairman, House Committee on State Government and Elections 82 Smith Street Providence, Rhode Island 02903

RE: H. 5506 Substitute A

Dear Chairman Shanley,

Thank you for providing an opportunity to comment on H. 5506 Substitute A.

The Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation <u>supports this bill</u> as it would ensure that the mandatory fees charged to Rhode Island residents for recycling of mattresses is calculated in a manner that allows for sufficient programmatic insight and oversight by the Corporation.

This level of transparency is currently lacking in key instances and hinders the Corporation's ability to evaluate and report on the Mattress Stewardship Program's effectiveness as required by RIGL 23-90-11.

We are pleased to have been able to work with the Mattress Recycling Council in reaching this resolution and hope that the Committee will support its passage.

Please feel free to contact Jared Rhodes, Director of Policy and Programs at jrhodes@rirrc.org should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

Cc: Members of the House Committee on State Government and Elections