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**To:** House Corporations Committee; Erin Donovan-Boyle; Jo-Anne Gorton  
**Subject:** Bill H5568

Rep Solomon,

I am a Rhode Island small Business owner and Chair of the Newport Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber and I support Bill H5568. We further ask the Newport Chamber of Commerce to be added to the bill. The Providence Chamber does a great job representing the Greater Providence businesses. Newport Chamber represents 900 Newport County businesses, many of which are small businesses.

Health care costs have risen dramatically relative to other costs. It is a large expense to small business. We try to provide competitive and good health care benefits. In keeping with the Governor's efforts to make Rhode island competitive we need the ability to pool our efforts to manage health care costs.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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