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## CHAPTER 16-21.6 6 STUDENT ACCESS TO INTERNET

This letter is in support of student access to the internet, indeed, access for all residents of any particular town.

Students who have remote classes instead of in person classes, I would assume it would be obvious, NEED wifi in order to "attend" their classes via Zoom.

Many families in Rhode Island simply do not have the means to provide internet for their families due to ongoing financial hardship, illnesses and being held back in every imaginable way for the reason that they are People of Color.

EVERYONE knows that people who have meaningful, paid work that pays a livable wage are less likely to do drugs, commit crimes and are MOST likely to be able to add value to their and other communities. To EXCEL even.

PLEASE pass this bill for EVERYONE'S sake, I implore you.

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