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RE: H6156 - CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN IN STATE CARE

Chairman McNamara and members of the Education Committee,

The Rhode Island Developmental Disabilities Council appreciates efforts to improve the educational outcomes for children in state care.

We would recommend that an organization with roots in advocacy for children with disabilities be added to the membership. We believe that the Sherlock Center on Disabilities could best represent that population on this commission, as they track data and provide education on disability related topics.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at any time
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