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Dear members of the House Education Committee,
As a parent with a child in Providence Public Schools and an organizer deeply involved with the district, I am writing to urge you to OPPOSE H7414.

This is a reckless bill that puts students and the health of the district as a whole in peril because:

- There is no comprehensive, publicly vetted transition plan for returning to local control
- No entity (City or School Board) has demonstrated readiness to assume full control on this accelerated timeline
- Rushing this transition risks governance confusion, financial instability, and disruption to students
- Community engagement has been inconsistent and not tied to decision-making structures
- This bill prioritizes speed over readiness, which puts students, especially those most impacted, at risk

This is a high-risk decision without a plan. And the students, teachers, and families of Providence need and deserve a deliberate, transparent, and community-informed transition, not an accelerated timeline driven by legislation.

Thank you for your attention,
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