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Dear Chairman McNamara & members of the committee,

I hope you will strong support this bill from Rep. Ranglin-Vassell to help end the school to prison pipeline. As a white student in a highly diverse school in downtown Pawtucket, I often saw the discrepancies in how black & brown students were disciplined by school officials and even passed off to law enforcement, versus how the white student population was treated. A minor infraction by myself normally earned me a Senate toon, but it would earn one of my peers of color a multi-day suspension. The current practices fail these students, criminalize them, and put them in danger when police get involved, as we have seen all too often as of late. It is time to turn a new page by passing this bill.

Thank You,

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