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To: House Environment and Natural Resources Committee

Subject: I am writing in favor of house bill 8093

To: Chairman Bennett and house environment and natural resources committee members:

I am writing in favor of house bill 8093, which proposes establishing Rhode Island's fresh water lake management program which would be beneficial for several reasons. It will preserve the state's fresh water resources which provide various benefits such as recreational opportunities, flood mitigation, and habitat provision for native wildlife and plants.

Establishing the Rhode Island Lake Management Fund would provide dedicated funding for projects to enhance water quality and habitat. This program represents a proactive approach to safeguarding Rhode Island's freshwater ecosystems for current and future generations.

Thank you.

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