

Testimony in support of House Bill 5074, House Environment Committee Feb. 27, 2025.
by Peter Trafton, MD, Providence Rhode Island

Dear Chair Bennett and Honorable Members of the House Environment and Natural Resources Committee,

I write with strong support for Rep. Carson's bill 5074, a resolution requesting the RI resource recovery Corporation conduct a recycling/waste audit on the Rhode Island State House and provide recommendations for a waste reduction strategy.

This is truly leading by example! Brava!

I praise Rep Carson enter cosponsors for this effort. It's not just papers, a few deplorable plastic single-use water bottles, etc. but probably some red tape as well. But in all seriousness, as a neighbor down the hill from the Statehouse, I see the trash picked up every morning and realize that it's a considerable amount and reducing that as well as managing it efficiently with recycling of everything appropriate should show all Rhode Islanders that the general assembly is leading the way.

Let's do it and then live up to it. Please pass this resolution.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "PG Trafton". The letters are cursive and somewhat stylized, with the first name "PG" being more compact and the last name "Trafton" being more spread out.

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