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**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Subject:** H 8310 Opposition

Hi,

My name is Nathan Halda, from Providence, RI and I'd like to express my opposition to H 8310, introduced by Rep Biah, which would provide state funding and mandate a placement of at least two school resource officers at every public school.

It's no secret that our public school infrastructure in Rhode Island is in need of attention. I think that using state funding to pay for law enforcement personnel is a misuse of taxpayer dollars.

We should focus on fixing the leaky roofs and broken windows, as well as increasing teacher pay so we can hopefully prevent a further brain-drain of educators from our state, instead of bringing in SROs, which have proven time and time again to not, in fact, be a deterrent.

Thank you for your time.