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**To:** House Finance Committee  
**Cc:** Rep. Hull, Raymond A.  
**Subject:** Bill number (H-7495) : I urge you to support it

Hello,

I urge you to support Bill 7495, the Battery-Powered Leafblower Pilot Rebate and Education Program.

Noise is a major problem for mental health and quality of life in Providence. I cannot stand living with the noise created by gas leafblowers. I am also concerned about the toxic emissions from gas leafblowers.

More environmentally sustainable alternatives are available for lawncare and other states have already taken the lead in pursuing them. Please join forward-thinking states and be a leader in reducing noise pollution and improving environmental health.

Yours,  
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**"Your heart knows the way. Run in that direction."**  
**-Rumi**