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Representative Marvin Abney, Chair  
RI House Finance Committee

Dear Chairman Abney and esteemed members of the House Finance Committee,

I am writing in support of House Bill 5473, also known as the "Revenue for Rhode Island" bill, sponsored by Representative Karen Alzate.

Working people need your support, and the services we depend on need funding.

My name is Kaylynn and I work for a public school district and my take home pay is about \$43,000 a year. This also happens to be about the average person's income in Rhode Island - so I'd say I'm a pretty good representation of your constituents. And to be clear... We're struggling!

Working people are living paycheck to paycheck. We spend half of our income each month on rent, and then the other half on bills and groceries. Meanwhile, the wealthy (who are built up by working people), have multiple homes and live in excess.

Federal funding is uncertain, but even with it, why not create revenue to make this state better? We could be a leading example in the country, by showing the importance of supporting its people.

Please support this bill.

Respectfully,  
Kaylynn Polley