

May 19, 2025

Rhode Island General Assembly House Committee on Finance 82 Smith Street Providence, RI 02903

Re: Opposition to H-6236

Dear Members of the House Committee on Finance,

On behalf of Communications Unlimited, Inc. I am writing to express our strong opposition to H6236 that would further restrict or limit the ability of students to receive bus transportation to Davies Career and Technical High School (Davies).

As a Rhode Island-based business, we rely on a skilled, motivated, and well-prepared workforce. CTE programs, such as those found at Davies, play an essential role in developing that pipeline by equipping students with hands-on experience, industry-specific skills, and professional certifications that are directly relevant to our sector.

For most Davies students, transportation is the critical link that allows them to pursue a specialized education aligned with their interests and career goals. Removing or reducing that access would restrict opportunity, limit workforce development, and ultimately harm Rhode Island's economic future.

We respectfully request that Davies be exempt from this legislation and that you continue to support policies that make these vital programs accessible to more students.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

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