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Good Morning,

We fully support this RIPTA Budget Bill, H8317, as it is written. RIPTA provides an essential, necessary public service and must be adequately funded.

We are RIPTA riders who choose to use public transportation rather than a car. We live in the Edgewood section of Cranston, and utilize the #1 and #3 bus routes to and from Providence on a frequent basis, as well as other routes as necessary.

We use RIPTA to go shopping, for medical appointments, to access the theater and shopping in downtown Providence, for church and to make connections with the MBTA and Amtrak.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,  
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