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From: A. David Larson, East Providence, RI - Hearts for Social Justice  
To: RI House Finance Committee

Subject: **Support for House Bill H7793** - Healthy School Meals for All

Dear Chair Abney and Members of the House Finance Committee:

**I am writing in support of House Bill 7793 which would provide Healthy School Meals for All.** I recognize there are significant challenges in managing the state budget. Many families in Rhode Island are facing the same (or even more dire) challenges at home. All of us should prioritize the health and wellness of our children. They are our future. Funding a welcoming and equitable education system, including removing any barriers of hunger, is a key to realizing the potential of our youth.

I urge you to take whatever action you can to move forward the legislation on Healthy School Meals for all (H7793, H8166 or substitute).

Thank you so much,  
A. David Larson (East Providence)  
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