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**To:** House Health and Human Services Committee  
**Subject:** Support HB5857

Chairwoman Donovan and Honorable Committee members,

My name is Gray Babbs, and I live in Providence. Today, I am writing to you in support of House Bill 5857.

Nationally, we've seen attacks on the freedom to access reproductive and gender-affirming care. Mandating protections against outside interference for Rhode Islanders accessing such care is important if we are to maintain the ability to access such services without discrimination. This is particularly critical for new Rhode Islanders who move to the state so that they can safely and privately access this care.

Please support bill HB5857 so we can continue to access reproductive and gender-affirming care safely.

Sincerely,  
Gray Babbs