

## State of Rhode Island DIVISION OF STATE POLICE

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Colonel Darnell S. Weaver Superintendent

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The Honorable Robert E. Craven, Sr., Chair House Committee on Judiciary Rhode Island House of Representatives 82 Smith Street Providence, RI 02903

RE:

2025-H 5892- An Act Relating to Courts and Civil Procedure - Courts - Court

Administration

## Dear Chairman Craven:

On behalf of the Rhode Island State Police, please accept this letter expressing strong support regarding legislation currently before the House Committee on Judiciary entitled, "An Act Relating to Courts and Civil Procedure – Courts – Court Administration." In sum, H-5892 would improve personal security for current and retired state and federal judicial officers. Specifically, the proposal shields personal information of judicial officers and their immediate family members from becoming publicly available content. Examples of personal information that would be protected under this proposal include social security numbers, home addresses, personal phone/cell numbers, and personal email addresses.

I thank you for the opportunity to express the position of the Rhode Island State Police on legislation currently before the House Committee on Judiciary, H –5892 entitled, "An Act Relating to Courts and Civil Procedure – Courts – Court Administration."

Sincerely,

Colonel Darnell S. Weaver

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Director of Public Safety

cc: The Honorable Members of the House Committee on Judiciary

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