



In support of H7356 - Stronger School Employee Background Checks to Protect RI Kids

Right now, Rhode Island already requires criminal background checks for school employees (and some volunteers), but this bill would add a much more thorough employment history review focused specifically on any past child-related misconduct allegations, investigations, or discipline — even if nothing criminal was proven or charged. It's designed to close potential gaps where someone might have had red-flag issues at a previous school/job (especially out-of-state) but it never showed up in a standard criminal record.

Some schools engage in a practice labeled "**passing the trash**" by critics and legislators: quietly allowing or encouraging employees accused of sexual misconduct to resign instead of facing investigation or legal action, often with incentives like payouts or neutral references

Constituent Support Ledger: Rhode Island House Bill H7356 (Stronger School Employee Background Checks)

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60 messages

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Your Name (Required)

Kathleen Haslam

City/Town/State (Optional)

Glocester, RI

Why I Support H7356 (Required - min 1 selection)

Prevents employees under misconduct investigation from being quietly rehired in another school district, Requires checks on past jobs, not just convictions/pending cases, Gives parents transparency about serious red flags before someone works with kids, Prioritizes student safety over secrecy or convenience, Closes gaps that let predators move between schools/districts without accountability

Consent / Signature Acknowledgment (Required)

Yes

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Your Name (Required)

Bonnie Smith

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South Kingstown, RI

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Diane Osagie

City/Town/State (Optional)

Smithfield

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Erin Crane

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Scituate, RI

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Christopher Lupini

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Gloucester, RI

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Gunther Neumann

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Cumberland

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Personal Comment (Optional)

You would have to be an idiot or a predator, to not want to close this loophole.

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Morgan Hollenbeck

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Barrington RI

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Nadine Swanson

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North Kingstown
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Carrie Bergenstock

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Personal Comment (Optional)

Individuals employed in schools are granted daily access to minors and a position of inherent authority and trust. Comprehensive and rigorous background checks are a necessary safeguard to protect vulnerable students and to uphold the fundamental duty of care owed to children and their families. Please be dutiful with this decision.

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Katelyn Thompson

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Scituate, RI

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Samantha Kibbe

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Gloucester RI

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Personal Comment (Optional)

I'm horrified that these predators can just move onto other schools to continue their behavior, with schools taking the easy way out instead of protecting others in the future. Pass the buck!

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Your Name (Required)

Nick Proscia

City/Town/State (Optional)

North Kingstown

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Personal Comment (Optional)

Seemly, as the world becomes a darker place and a dwelling for predators, we need to take every action to protect our children.

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Rickey Thompson

City/Town/State (Optional)

North Kingstown, RI

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Your Name (Required)

Mary M Crawford

City/Town/State (Optional)

North Kingstown

Why I Support H7356 (Required - min 1 selection)

Closes gaps that let predators move between schools/districts without accountability

Personal Comment (Optional)

Please hire qualified teachers to educate in a safe and protected environment. Employees with serious allegations should not be supported in any school system.

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Larina Swartz

City/Town/State (Optional)

Scituate

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Michelle Sztabor

City/Town/State (Optional)

Woonsocket, RI

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Personal Comment (Optional)

Let's hold people accountable. I would rather have one falsely accused person have to go through the process of clearing their name than let one possible person that is questionable of character to have access to our students.

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Your Name (Required)

Shana Masterson

City/Town/State (Optional)

Glocester

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June Arribas

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Personal Comment (Optional)

As a parent in Cumberland, I support H7356 because people who are on psych medications or who have a criminal history should not be allowed to work in a school setting. School administrators should do better than to hire unqualified people to be around students. A teacher who was disqualified should not be allowed to teach in a different school. Once disqualified, it should be like in the military, dishonorable discharge. School administrators (superintendent, principal, school committee boards) who don't do a thorough background check on prospective applicants are hurting the whole community when a child predator is allowed to be near children. Criminals and people on psych medications are not qualified, should not pass a background check, should not be hired. Lists of faculty in every public school should be public knowledge, as it paid for by taxes. Being a teacher is not just a job, it is an actual responsibility that requires stable, responsible people to positively contribute to the community. The proof is in the safety and healthy development of EVERY child. There must be open communication between parents, their children and the school. Whenever a teacher hides information from parents, that in of itself is a breach of trust, and should disqualify the teacher and possibly even discredit the school. I support closing the loophole. There should not be a loophole.

Thank you for taking my comment.

June Arribas

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Lori Morin

City/Town/State (Optional)

RI

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Personal Comment (Optional)

This is such a no brainer. Why wasn't this the law all along?

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Your Name (Required)

Beth Hill Ross

City/Town/State (Optional)

Saunderstown RI

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Personal Comment (Optional)

Please get this bill passed.

Thank you.

Beth Hill Ross

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Stephen Barnabe

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West Greenwich, RI

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Personal Comment (Optional)

The loophole needs to be closed in a variety of professions, including law enforcement and other first responder positions.

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Donna Conde

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Gloucester RI

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Your Name (Required)
Cynthia Cady

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North Kingstown

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Personal Comment (Optional)
Our children are our future. Let's give them a fighting chance of safety and success.
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Cyndy Bjorn

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Saunderstown RI

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Your Name (Required)
John Quinn

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North Kingstown RI

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Your Name (Required)
Bessie Dagostino

City/Town/State (Optional)

Chepachet, RI

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Personal Comment (Optional)

I want to feel that our children are as safe as possible.

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Todd Kibbe

City/Town/State (Optional)

Glocester

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Personal Comment (Optional)

You need to start predatory action and those who pray on young ones

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Jesse Poznanski

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Personal Comment (Optional)

Keep the kids safe.

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Peter A Filippi

City/Town/State (Optional)

Johnston

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Personal Comment (Optional)

Rightful Logical legislation such as this doesn't need to be explained.

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Frances Slade

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North Kingstown RI

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Nicole Kettelle

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Coventry, RI

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Personal Comment (Optional)

It is common sense that anyone working with children should be thoroughly screened.

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Jessica Wilhelm

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Patrick Cavanaugh

City/Town/State (Optional)

Narragansett, RI

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Personal Comment (Optional)

Pass this bill!!

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Susan Cesaro

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Personal Comment (Optional)

Our sons were victims of Aaron Thomas and we experienced this injustice first hand. Gratefully our sons took swift action and notified Magr. Clark school about the allegations and he was dismissed, saving countless other children from his disgusting "fat tests"!!!

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Sean Serrecchia

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Saunderstown RI

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Thomas p Cesaro

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North Kingstown Rhode Island Island

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Warwick, Rhode Island

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Newport, Rhode Island

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Personal Comment (Optional)

This bill should also go further and have checks on nurses and physicians. As it stands now they get terminated or fired from one position and they just move on to another state.

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Ashely Hopkins

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Glocester RI

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Personal Comment (Optional)

My own sister was a victim of a school employee misconduct and the employee after being confronted actually committed suicide before anyone could even investigate fully. This sent a shock wave through my family and forever scared my sister. It's been over 15 years and I still question everyone and am myself traumatized by the incident there needs to be more in place to protect children from predators

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Nancy Scorpio

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Personal Comment (Optional)

As a parent it can be nerve racking sending kids to school with so many threats out there. Passage of this bill will be another added protection for vulnerable children. There have been numerous occasions where a child predator is able to quietly leave one district and start teaching in another only to commit the same offenses.

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Cranston

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Dianne Hutton

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North Kingstown, RI

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Susan Tarbox

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Personal Comment (Optional)

As a parent, grandparent and retired teacher I cannot express how important this legislation would be. Actually I am appalled that it is not in place now nor ever has been.

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Meredith Paine

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Aidan Q

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North Kingstown

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Personal Comment (Optional)

As a former student of the North Kingstown School District, I experienced significant trauma during my three years at Davisville Middle School (2016-2018). My educational experience was deeply harmed by the actions of . I was subjected to repeated verbal abuse, unjust disciplinary actions, and punishment for things I did not do. One of the most serious incidents involved my backpack and phone being taken to force me to remain after school, without my parents' knowledge or consent. I was directly lied to and told that my parents were aware, when they were not.

No student should ever be treated this way. School is meant to be a place of safety, growth, learning, and friendship. Unfortunately, I was denied that experience during my middle school years. The most troubling part is knowing that this individual has moved to another district, where other students may now be vulnerable to the same treatment.

If not for the unwavering support of my parents and the compassion of a teacher, Sue Warburton, I do not believe I would have ever regained my confidence. Their support helped me heal from an experience that should never happen to any child.

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Crystal Dawn Jackson

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Keith R Wahl

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South Kingstown, RI

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Hope Cantwell

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Personal Comment (Optional)

As a former student of north Kingstown high school where many sports coaches were under investigation and some STILL are I highly think if you've ever been red flagged you should not be able to silently move districts. We tell our kids being held accountable is so important yet depending on your social status we don't hold some teachers/coaches accountable for their actions.

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Personal Comment (Optional)

In your own words, why do you support closing this loophole?

Your comment may be included in written testimony sent to the House Judiciary Committee and the Senate Education/Judiciary Committee.

As a [parent / teacher / resident] in [town], I support H7356 because... Personal stories about why child safety matters are especially impactful!

Consent / Signature Acknowledgment (Required) *

I understand and agree:

- * My submission will be emailed directly to the House Judiciary Committee in support of H7356.
- * No anonymous submissions are allowed; my name and comment will be included and may become public.
- * This may also support the companion Senate Bill S2216 later.

▼ Yes

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When schools engage in practices that protect abusers rather than children, therefore, they are contributing to the negative physical, psychological, social, and educational impact of sexual abuse on children which often carries throughout their adult lives.

House Bill H7356 fixes this by requiring full criminal + employment history checks, plus disclosure of past investigations or forced resignations involving children.

Add your name and written testimony in support of H7356 to the House Judiciary Committee for the February 5, 2026 hearing.

> Companion Senate bill S2216 may use these same submissions later. (The Senate bill is not yet up for a hearing.)

Read the bill:

<https://legiscan.com/RI/bill/H7356/2026>

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