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The Honorable Arthur J. Corvese
Chairman
House Labor Committee
State House
Providence, RI 20903

RE: 2025 H 5304 - AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS – THE “COMMUTER TRANSPORTATION BENEFITS ACT”

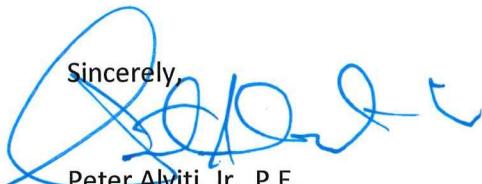
Dear Chairman Corvese:

Thank you for the opportunity to allow the Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT), to submit this letter of concern for consideration on H 5304, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS – THE “COMMUTER TRANSPORTATION BENEFITS ACT”. This bill “Establishes the commuter transportation benefit chapter. Employers with five hundred (500) or more employees would be required to establish a pre-tax commuter transportation fringe benefit program”

This bill primarily focuses on the financial benefits to employees of the Commuter Transportation Benefits Act, whereas RIDOT’s primary focus is building and maintaining a safe and efficient highway infrastructure system. We feel this campaign would be better served by another agency whose focus is, labor, and or employee relations.

Thank you for your hard work and your review of RIDOT’s concerns. Please let me know if any further information is needed.

Sincerely,


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Director, Rhode Island Department of Transportation

cc: The Honorable Members of the House Labor Committee
The Honorable Raymond A. Hull
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