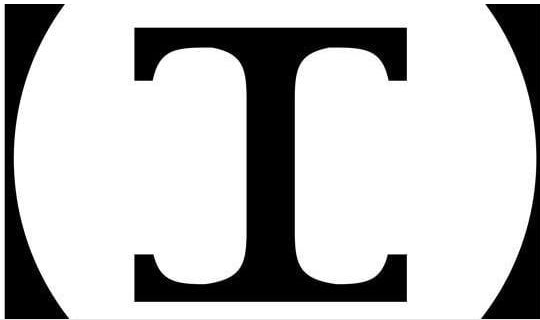


Hello,

I am asking you to OPPOSE H8363 Bill. I am writing as a concerned citizen and parent of a current URI student. URI has an enrollment of 17,000 student per year with a housing capacity of 6200. This leaves over 11,000 students without housing options. Currently it has been difficulty to house current students even at off campus housing as there is limited available housing. As a parent of a URI student who has signed a lease for next year this would be a great inconvenience for our student and his out of state roommates. Failure to oppose this bill can trigger families to seek alternative universities for education due to lack of housing options.

Restricting off campus housing availability to URI students can be detrimental to the economy and to the revenue coming into URI and Rhode Island. This would put a great burden on students, families and URI.



[URI report: College contributed \\$2 billion to state economy
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