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The Honorable Evan P. Shanley Chair, House State Government & Elections Rhode Island State House Providence, RI 02903

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RE: 2025 - H 6093 - AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION-COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Dear Chairman, Shanley:

Thank you for the opportunity to allow the Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT) to offer this letter of concern on H 6093, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL. This bill, "Provides a procedure for parking modifications near shoreline rights of way."

The Rhode Island Department of Transportation, (RIDOT), respectfully requests to be exempt from this bill. The Department works in conjunction with the State Traffic Commission (STC) when reviewing parking modifications on state-maintained roadways. The STC would only restrict parking if such parking presents a safety concern, or if it restricts the flow of traffic. If enacted, this bill would require RIDOT to provide a procedure for parking modifications near shoreline rights of way. In these instances, when parking has been restricted for safety concerns RIDOT should not be required to provide additional parking modifications.

For these reasons, RIDOT respectfully requests to be exempt from this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this information and for your diligence in reviewing these pieces of legislation. Please let me know if any further information is needed.

Sincerely,

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cc: The Honorable Members of the House State Government & Elections Committee
The Honorable Terri Cortvriend
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