

## Town of North Kingstown, Rhode Island



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The Honorable Robert Britto  
Chair, Senate Commerce Committee  
State House  
32 Smith Street  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Chairman Britto:

I am writing to you today to provide official testimony regarding Senate Bill S3225 “Resolution creating a Special Joint Legislative Commission to study sludge management in Rhode Island.” Regretfully, due to a prior commitment here in North Kingstown, I am unable to appear in person during your committee’s deliberation this evening.

As you know from my prior written testimony regarding Senate Bill S3224, this is an important issue to and has a potential significant impact on the community of North Kingstown. As I noted in my S3224 testimony, I also acknowledge that this is an important statewide issue as well.

I am writing in full support of the creation of a Special Joint Legislative Commission to study sludge management. I commend the authors of this legislation as this will provide a thorough analysis on a critical issue facing our state. However, I would like to point out that the proposed makeup of the Commission includes two members of the communities that have an incinerator (and rightfully so) but does not include any members of the community where the current proposed Pyrolysis Facility is proposed. I would therefore request, and propose, that the Legislation be amended to include representation from North Kingstown as well as consideration for other surrounding communities (i.e. East Greenwich and others) that are located within close proximity to the proposed location within Quonset Business Park.

As always, I thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A. Ralph Mollis

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*North Kingstown is honored to be **Rhode Island’s only and official American World War II Heritage City**, a designation bestowed by the U.S. National Park Service in 2024, recognizing the significant transformation within our community in support of our country’s historic role in World War II and our ongoing commitment to preserve that history.*

