

April 23, 2024

The Honorable Marvin L. Abney Chairperson House Finance Committee Rhode Island State House 82 Smith Street Providence Rhode Island 02903

RE: H-7993 Relating to Education – Teachers' Retirement

Dear Chair Abney,

I am writing on behalf of AFSCME Rhode Island Retirees Chapter 94. We represent more than 23,000 retired teachers and state employees.

We are in support of H-7993, sponsored by Representative McEntee. H-7993 allows for a one-time two percent supplemental cost of living adjustment for plan year 2025 to the public pension benefits administered by the ERSRI, and allows for those benefits to be deducted from the taxpayer's adjusted gross income.

Very Truly Yours,

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