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To:

House Finance Committee

Subject:

House Bill No. 7588

Chairman Abney and members of the House Finance Committee:

I am writing to you today in **support** of Representative Ackerman's House Bill 7588. This bill would phase out the state tax on Social Security over a four year period.

Rhode Island is one of only 9 states that tax Social Security, and the State tax on Social Security fluctuates with inflation from year to year making it difficult for seniors to determine the tax cost. Many seniors are on a fixed income and depend solely on Social Security earnings. Eliminating State taxes on this income would help older adults and their families.

I urge your consideration to vote "YES" on this important legislation thereby supporting our ageing population in Rhode Island.

Sandra Darling. Retired RN and AARP Volunteer Bristol. RI