

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
RESOLUTION NO. 111**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PASSAGE OF H-7543 AND S-2565 RELATED TO
THE TIMING OF PAYMENTS BY THE STATE OF THE COSTS OF THE BASIC
PROGRAM UNDER R.I.G.L. §16-7-17**

WHEREAS, the State of Rhode Island, by and through the State Department of Education, distributes funding to 38 other cities and towns the state’s share of the costs of the basic program that supports public education on a monthly basis; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Providence is the only community in the state that does not receive its share of funding on a monthly basis but receives it in October and April; and

WHEREAS, aligning these payments of the state’s share with the other communities will assist the School Department with its budgeting and cash flow throughout the school year; and


WHEREAS, H-7543 and S-2565 have been introduced by members of the East Providence Delegation of the General Assembly, more specifically Senators Lauria, Britto and Lawson and Representatives Boylan, Dawson, Kazarian, and Henries; and

WHEREAS, the referenced legislation will allow the City and East Providence School Department to receive the state share of the cost of the basic program on a monthly basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of East Providence supports and urges the immediate passage of H-7543 and S-2565 by the General Assembly, and further instructs the City Clerk to send a certified copy of this resolution to the Chairs of the Senate & House Finance Committees as well as to the members of East Providence’s General Assembly Delegation.

Adopted by the City Council: 4/2/24

Attest:



City Clerk of East Providence, Rhode Island