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From: EWGTA <ewgteachers@gmail.com>
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To: House Finance Committee
Subject: HB 8149

Dear Members of the House Committee on Finance,

My name is Ellen Ryan and I am a special educator in the Exeter West Greenwich Regional School District, as well as the President of the Exeter West Greenwich Teachers Association. I support HB8149 to include teachers alongside public officers and employees. Educators deserve the secure retirement and this amendment would be a step in the right direction for all members, regardless of how many years they have been teaching. This bill has meaningful impact to members in the state pension system in all categories, K~12 teachers, Education Support Professionals, and state and municipal employees. Please consider this testimony on behalf of myself and the members of the EWGTA as well as all public educators in RI.

Sincerely,
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