

Testimony to the House Finance Committee

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There are many retired teachers who if they could have seen their future, would not have chosen a profession that would lead them into poverty.

We all could have chosen a more lucrative path. The sky was our limit.

We gave our all for 30+ years. We settled for contracts that granted us 1-4% raises in return we were promised/told of a GREAT retirement. The promise that was ignored with the passing 13 years ago of the RI Pension Reform.

My daughter's first salary upon graduating from college was my 31 year ending salary.

I often ask myself why we have been treated as insignificant and not deserving of COLA. WHY?

Respectfully  
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