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My name is Steven A. Florio and I am the Executive Director of Rhode Island Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. This commission is known as a one-stop center on all Deaf and Hard of Hearing matters. We deal with all deaf and hard of hearing individuals' needs every day whether they need resources, referrals, and training.

On behalf of the RI CDHH, we support this bill.

The RI CDHH is more than happy to work with the newly formed Commission to provide our resources related to hearing loss and acoustic environment.

For some reason, if more research is needed on this issue, please do not hesitate to contact me for more resources that would help you to make a better decision. I can be reached by e-mail, SFLORIO@CDHH.RI.GOV.

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