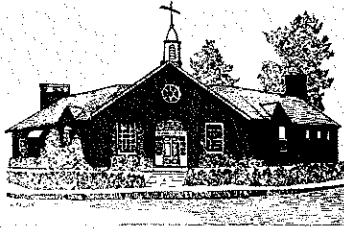


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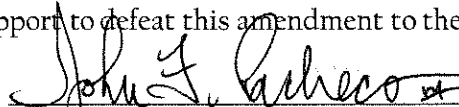
Burrillville Town Council A Resolution in Opposition to H-7198, H-7379 & S-2927 Acts Relating to Labor and Labor Relations - Arbitration - Continuance of Contractual Provisions


- WHEREAS, House Bill H-7198, H-7379 and S-2927, Acts Relating to Labor and Labor Relations - Arbitration - Continuance of Contractual Provisions are under consideration in the Rhode Island General Assembly; and
- WHEREAS, these Bills require that the contractual provisions contained in an otherwise expired collective bargaining agreement with certified school teachers and municipal employees continue until a successor agreement has been reached between the parties; and
- WHEREAS, the practical effect of this legislation would be to place an unnecessary burden on the bargaining process between municipal officials and certain unions; and
- WHEREAS, contracts with unions represent a significant portion of municipal budgets; and
- WHEREAS, these contracts need to be renegotiated from time to time to serve the needs of the citizens; and
- WHEREAS, if enacted, these Bills may force the Town of Burrillville, and other Rhode Island communities, to adhere to provisions of a contract long after it has expired; and
- WHEREAS, these Bills would have the effect of retroactively modifying union contracts that are in place to, among other things, potentially make them permanent, or to require perpetual annual raises when those provision were never the intent of the parties negotiating the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Town Council of the Town of Burrillville, do respectfully requests that the House drop from consideration House Bills H-7198 and H-7379

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk is hereby instructed to submit a copy of this resolution to the Town's legislative delegation as well as to all Rhode Island cities and towns, and the Governor in consideration of their support to defeat this amendment to the General Laws.

13th day of May 2018


John F. Pacheco III, President
Burrillville Town Council


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