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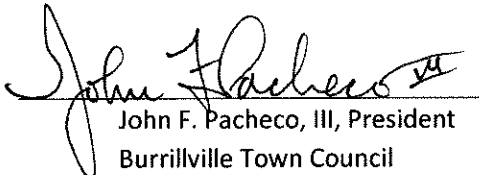
Burrillville Town Council

Resolution Supported Senate Bill 2018 – S 2371 Relating to Education – Foundation Level School Support

- Whereas, fixed school costs, the 4% tax cap, and maintenance of effort, all governed by existing state law, create significant restrictions on the operating budget of school districts and the ability of cities and towns to pay for secondary education in their communities; and
- Whereas, the education formula aid, driven primarily by student enrollment, is not reliable and creates problems for school districts to adequately plan for, fund and staff education programs for their students; and
- Whereas, large swings in formula-driven state aid in the era of school choice and charter schools negatively impacts those school districts that are losing students; the process cuts the very resources that would allow those school districts to be competitive and to provide comparable education programs ; and
- Whereas, fluctuating formula-driven education aid potentially disadvantages one group of students while benefiting others; the problem compounds as students transfer from one district to another or to a charter school; and
- Whereas, the provisions of S 2371 would stabilize school revenue sources which will create financial certainty and equity. This will, in turn, allow all Rhode Island school districts to remain competitive, to maintain their education programs and long-term initiatives for the betterment of all students and their futures.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Town Council of the Town of Burrillville, do hereby support Senate Bill 2018 – S 2371, and hereby request that our legislative delegation support passage.

Adopted as a resolution this 13th day of June 2018


John F. Pacheco, III, President
Burrillville Town Council

ATTEST:


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