

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 203

*Approved* April 15, 1994

RESOLVED, That the City Council hereby does  
not endorse and urges defeat by the General Assembly of  
House Bill 94-H 8937 relating to Utilities.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
APR 7 1994  
READ AND PASSED  
*James W. Smith*  
PRES.  
*Michael L. Clement*  
CLERK

APPROVED  
APR 15 1994  
*Vincent A. Cianci*  
MAYOR

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THE COMMITTEE ON  
Legislative Matters  
Approves Passage of  
The Within Resolution  
Barbara A. Faison  
Chairman  
3/31/94 Clare

Councilman Stein, Lombardi, Mancini and Commissioner Tillman

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

94-H 8937

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1994

A N A C T

RELATING TO UTILITIES

94-H 8937

Introduced By: Rep. Vincent Mesolella

Date Introduced: February 17, 1994

Referred To: Committee on Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1       SECTION 1. Sections 46-25-2, 46-25-3 and 46-25-5 of the General  
2       Laws in Chapter 46-25 entitled "Narragansett Bay Water Quality Manage-  
3       ment" are hereby amended to read as follows:

4       46-25-2. Legislative findings. -- It is hereby found and  
5       declared that:

6       (a) There exists in the Providence metropolitan area and  
7       Narragansett Bay severe water quality problems resulting from the dis-  
8       charge of pollutants, conventional, and unconventional, into  
9       Narragansett Bay.

10       (b) It is further found and declared that Narragansett Bay may be  
11       the greatest natural resource of the state of Rhode Island and contin-  
12       uing discharge of these pollutants jeopardizes the environmental  
13       integrity of the entire Narragansett Bay and creates severe and detri-  
14       mental ecological and economic impact upon the people of the state of  
15       Rhode Island.

16       (c) It is further found and declared that because of the scope  
17       and complexity of the work necessary to correct and minimize these

1 pollution discharges and the scope of financing required, local munic-  
2 ipal governments in the Providence metropolitan area have been unable  
3 alone to cope properly and immediately with the magnitude of the pol-  
4 lution discharges.

5 (d) It is further found and declared that economy and efficiency  
6 dictate the desirability for an overall plan for dealing with pollu-  
7 tion discharges in the Narragansett Bay and the Providence metropol-  
8 itan area.

9 (e) It is further found and declared that the most effective and  
10 efficient method to combat the discharge of pollutants in the  
11 Narragansett Bay and to promote water conservation is to create a  
12 Narragansett Bay water quality management district commission, to be  
13 charged with the acquisition, planning, construction, financing,  
14 extension, improvement, and operation and maintenance of publicly  
15 owned sewage treatment and/or water supply facilities in the  
16 Narragansett Bay water quality management district, with appropriate  
17 provision for a portion of the financing of the activities to be  
18 undertaken by the pledging of the full faith and credit of the state  
19 of Rhode Island. It is further found that since sewer assessments are  
20 generally calculated in part on consumption data supplied by water  
21 supply facilities that it would save resources and create efficiencies  
22 to have the Narragansett bay water quality management district commis-  
23 sion own, operate and/or manage said facilities.

24 (f) Title 46, chapter 21 of the general laws created the  
25 Blackstone Valley District Commission and charged it with the plan-  
26 ning, construction, operation and maintenance of facilities to deal  
27 with the sewage and industrial wastes which originate in municipali-  
28 ties and industries located in the Blackstone and Moshassuck Valleys  
29 and are discharged into the waters of the state including the Seekonk  
30 and Blackstone rivers which flow into the Narragansett Bay without  
31 proper treatment.

32 (g) Economy, efficiency and technological advances dictate the  
33 desirability of having one entity to formulate, coordinate and regu-

1 late an overall plan to reduce the discharge of sewerage and indus-  
2 trial wastes originating from the Blackstone and Moshassuck Valleys  
3 into the waters of this state and the discharge of pollutants into  
4 Narragansett Bay from the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management  
5 District.

6 (h) The most effective and efficient method of effectuating such  
7 an overall plan is to merge the Blackstone Valley District Commission  
8 with and into the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District  
9 Commission.

10 (i) The most effective and efficient method of effectuating an  
11 overall plan for dealing with discharges in the watershed of the  
12 Narragansett Bay is the merger, consolidation, acquisition, operation  
13 and management of other sewage treatment facilities located in the  
14 State with or by the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management Dis-  
15 trict Commission as the said Commission may from time to time deter-  
16 mine.

17 46-25-3. Definitions. -- As used in this chapter, the following  
18 words and terms shall have the following meanings unless the context  
19 shall indicate another or different meaning:

20 (a) "Administrative penalty" shall mean a monetary penalty not to  
21 exceed the civil penalty specified in section 46-25-25.2 of this chap-  
22 ter.

23 (b) "Commission" shall be construed to mean the Narragansett Bay  
24 water quality management district commission.

25 (c) "Compliance schedule" means a schedule of remedial measures  
26 including an enforceable sequence of actions, or operations leading to  
27 compliance with an effluent limitation or any other limitation, pro-  
28 hibition, or standard.

29 (d) "Fund" shall be construed to mean the Narragansett Bay water  
30 quality management district commission fund.

31 (e) "Narragansett Bay water quality management district commis-  
32 sion" shall mean and include:

33 (1) The city of Providence and those portions of the city of

1 Cranston and portions of the towns of Johnston, North Providence, and  
2 Lincoln presently served by the city of Providence sewage treatment  
3 system as well as the cities of East Providence, Pawtucket, and Cen-  
4 tral Falls, the town of Lincoln and Cumberland, and that portion of  
5 the town of Smithfield lying northeast of the Douglas Pike, also  
6 called state route No. 7;

7 (2) Any other portions of those municipalities as may by resolu-  
8 tion request to be served by the district and which are accepted by  
9 the commission as part of the district; and

10 (3) Any other cities or towns or districts in Rhode Island or  
11 portions thereof as may, from time to time, join the district pursuant  
12 to agreement with the Commission, providing for the acquisition of the  
13 sewage treatment and/or water supply facilities of such city, town, or  
14 district, or the merger and consolidation of such district into the  
15 Commission, or the management and operation of the sewage treatment  
16 and/or water supply facilities of such city, town or district by the  
17 commission.

18 (f) "Notes" as used in sections 46-25-51 through 46-25-56 shall  
19 be construed to mean the notes, securities, or other obligations or  
20 evidences of indebtedness issued by the commission pursuant to this  
21 chapter in anticipation of receiving user fees or state or federal  
22 funds, all of which shall be issued under the name of and known as  
23 obligations of the Narragansett Bay water quality management district.

24 (g) "Pollutant" shall be construed to mean the same as defined in  
25 section 46-12-1.

26 (h) "Pollution" shall be construed to mean the same as defined in  
27 section 46-12-1 of the Rhode Island general laws.

28 (i) "Person" shall include an individual, firm, partnership,  
29 association, and private or municipal corporation and federal or state  
30 agencies.

31 (j) "Project" shall be construed to mean the Narragansett Bay  
32 water quality management district project and shall include the ac-  
33 quisition, ownership, design, operation, construction, repair, reha-

1 bilitation, improvement, development, sale, lease or disposition of,  
2 or the provision of financing for, any sewage treatment and/or water  
3 supply facility.

4 (k) "Revenue bonds and notes" as used in sections 46-25-58  
5 through 46-25-66 shall mean and include the bonds, notes, securities  
6 or other obligations or evidences of indebtedness issued by the com-  
7 mission pursuant to sections 46-25-58 through 46-25-66 all of which  
8 shall be issued under the name of or known as obligations of the  
9 Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission and  
10 shall be secured solely by the revenues provided therein.

11 (l) "Sewage" shall be construed to mean the same as "pollutant"  
12 as defined in section 46-12-1 of the Rhode Island general laws.

13 (m) "Sewage treatment facilities" means any sewage treatment  
14 plant, structure, combined sewer overflows, equipment, interceptors,  
15 mains, and pumping stations or other property, real, personal, or  
16 mixed, for the treatment, storage, collection, transporting, or dis-  
17 posal of sewage, or any property or system to be used in whole or in  
18 part for any of the aforesaid purposes, or any other property or sys-  
19 tem incidental to, or which has to do with, or the end purpose of  
20 which is any of the foregoing; provided, however, that the term shall  
21 not include any system of lateral sewers within a municipality.

22 (n) "Source" shall mean any building, structure, facility or  
23 installation from which there is or may be the discharge of  
24 pollutants.

25 (o) "Water supplier" shall mean any person, including a municipal  
26 water department or agency, public water system, special water dis-  
27 trict, or private water company engaged in the distribution of water  
28 for potable purposes.

29 (p) "Water supply facilities" shall mean any water reservoirs,  
30 well and well sites, transmission or distribution systems, plant,  
31 structure, pipes, equipment and improvements, mains and pumping sta-  
32 tions, any and all other property or interests therein, real, personal  
33 or mixed used or held to be used in connection therewith, any and all

1 property or system to be used in whole or in part for any of the  
2 aforesaid purposes, any and all other property or system incidental  
3 to, or which has to do with, or the end purpose of which is any of the  
4 foregoing.

5 46-25-5. General powers. -- The commission shall have the fol-  
6 lowing powers, together with all powers incidental thereto or neces-  
7 sary for the performance of those state in this chapter:

8 (a) To sue and be sued, complain and defend, in its corporate  
9 name.

10 (b) To have a seal which may be altered at pleasure and to use  
11 the seal by causing it, or a facsimile thereof, to be impressed or  
12 affixed or in any other manner reproduced.

13 (c) To purchase, take, receive, lease, or otherwise acquire, own,  
14 hold, improve, use, and otherwise deal in and with, real or personal  
15 property, or any interest therein, wherever situated.

16 (d) To make and execute agreements of lease, construction con-  
17 tracts, operation contracts, and all other contracts and instruments  
18 necessary or convenient in the exercise of the powers and functions of  
19 the commission granted by this chapter.

20 (e) To make guarantees and incur or assume liabilities as the  
21 commission may deem appropriate.

22 (f) To invest and reinvest its funds.

23 (g) To secure the cooperation and assistance of the United  
24 States, and any of its agencies, and of agencies of this state and its  
25 municipalities in the work of the commission.

26 (h) To accept grants, donations, drafts, loans of funds, and con-  
27 tributions in money, services, materials, or otherwise, from the  
28 United States or any of its agencies, from this state and its agen-  
29 cies, or from any other source, and to use or expend those moneys,  
30 services, materials, or other contributions in carrying out the pur-  
31 poses of this chapter.

32 (i) To make assessments and impose user charges, and to pay for  
33 such expenses as may be required by law or as may be determined by the



1 commission to be necessary for the maintenance and operation of the  
2 project. In addition to the foregoing, the assessments and user  
3 charges imposed pursuant to this chapter by the commission shall be  
4 set at a rate sufficient to enable the commission to pay the debt ser-  
5 vice cost on not in excess of fourteen million and fifty-nine thousand  
6 dollars (\$14,059,000) of general obligation bonds and on notes issued  
7 pursuant to this chapter. Any user charge, fee, or rate shall be sub-  
8 ject to the approval of the public utilities commission.

9 (j) To establish a sewage pretreatment program, and to require as  
10 a condition, to the grant or reissuance of any approval, license, or  
11 permit required under the program, that the person applying for the  
12 approval, license, or permit, pay to the commission a reasonable fee  
13 based on the cost of reviewing and acting upon the application and  
14 based on the costs of implementing the program. In addition, where  
15 violations of the provisions of sections 46-25-25 through 46-25-25.3,  
16 or of any permit, rule, regulation, or order issued pursuant thereto  
17 have occurred, the violator shall reimburse the commission for the ac-  
18 tual costs of implementing and enforcing the terms of the permit,  
19 rule, regulation, or order as a condition to the grant or reissuance  
20 of any approval, license, or permit.

21 (k) To acquire or contract to acquire, from any person, the fed-  
22 eral government or the state, or any agency of either the federal gov-  
23 ernment or state, by grant, purchase, lease, gift, condemnation, or  
24 otherwise, or to obtain options for the acquisition of any property,  
25 real or personal, improved or unimproved, and interests in land less  
26 than the fee thereof; and to own, hold, clear, improve, develop, and  
27 rehabilitate, and to sell, assign, exchange, transfer, convey, lease,  
28 mortgage, or otherwise dispose of or encumber the property for the  
29 purposes of carrying out the provisions and intent of this chapter for  
30 such consideration as the commission shall determine.

31 (l) To elect or appoint officers and agents of the commission,  
32 and to define their duties and fix their compensation, including  
33 authority to employ attorneys, accountants, architectural, and engi-

1 neering consultants, and the other employees or agents as the commis-  
2 sion shall deem necessary in its judgment.

3 (m) To make and alter by-laws, not inconsistent with this chap-  
4 ter, for the administration and regulation of the affairs of the com-  
5 mission, and the by-laws may contain provisions indemnifying any  
6 person who is or was a director or a member of the commission, in the  
7 manner and to the extent provided in section 7-1.1-4.1 of the Rhode  
8 Island Business Corporation Act.

9 (n) To construct, acquire, repair, develop, own, operate, main-  
10 tain, extend, improve, rehabilitate, renovate, equip, and furnish a  
11 project and make provision for its management.

12 (o) To prepare or cause to be prepared plans, specifications,  
13 designs, and estimates of costs of construction, reconstruction,  
14 rehabilitations, improvement, alteration, or repair of a project, and  
15 to modify the same.

16 (p) To issue orders of general or specific applicability to carry  
17 out the purposes of the project.

18 (q) To have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to  
19 effect its purposes.

20 (r) To impose administrative penalties in accordance with the  
21 provisions of section 46-25-25.4.

22 (s) To secure certain payments on its revenue bonds and notes, in  
23 whole or in part, by insurance or by letters or lines of credit or  
24 other credit facilities.

25 (t) In the event that the Narragansett bay water quality manage-  
26 ment district commission merges with, acquires, manages, or operates a  
27 water supply facility, then the Narragansett bay water quality manage-  
28 ment district commission shall have all of the powers and duties con-  
29 ferred or imposed by existing law upon said facilities.

30 SECTION 2. The title of chapter 46-25.2 of the general laws  
31 entitled, "Acquisition, Merger and Consolidation of Sewer Treatment  
32 Facilities of Cities, Towns and Districts and the Narragansett Bay  
33 Water Quality Management District Commission" is hereby amended to

1 read as follows:

2 CHAPTER-25.2

3 ACQUISITION,--MERGER-AND-CONSOLIDATION-OF-SEWER

4 TREATMENT-FACILITIES-OF-CITIES,-TOWNS-AND

5 DISTRICTS-AND-THE-NARRAGANSETT-BAY-WATER

6 QUALITY-MANAGEMENT-DISTRICT-COMMISSION

7 CHAPTER 25.2

8 ACQUISITION, MERGER AND CONSOLIDATION OF SEWER

9 TREATMENT AND WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES OF CITIES,

10 TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND THE NARRAGANSETT BAY WATER

11 QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSION

12 SECTION 3. Section 46-25.2-1 of the General Laws in Chapter  
13 46-25.2 entitled "Acquisition, Merger and Consolidation of Sewer  
14 Treatment Facilities of Cities, Towns, and Districts, and the  
15 Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission" is  
16 hereby amended to read as follows:

17 46-25.2-1. Merger -- Effective date -- Transfer of assets and  
18 assumption of liabilities. -- (a) Subject to the agreement of the  
19 Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission and a  
20 city, town or district, the sewage treatment and/or water supply  
21 facilities of such city, town or district shall be merged with and  
22 into the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission  
23 or acquired by the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District  
24 Commission. Upon such merger or acquisition, the district or any com-  
25 mission or other governing authority established by such city or town  
26 or the state to manage and operate such sewage treatment and/or water  
27 supply facilities shall cease to exist; provided, however, that all  
28 actions shall be taken which are necessary to preserve any federal  
29 funds or federal assistance currently available to or expected to  
30 become available to the city, town or district for sewage treatment  
31 and/or water supply facilities. The existence of the Narragansett Bay  
32 Water Quality Management District Commission shall continue unaffected  
33 and unimpaired by said merger or acquisition, and the Narragansett Bay

1 Water Quality Management District Commission shall continue to be gov-  
2 erned by chapter 25 of this title.

3 (b) The district, the city or town and any commission or govern-  
4 ing authority established by such city or town or the state to manage  
5 and operate such sewage treatment and/or water supply facilities are  
6 hereby authorized to and may pass such resolutions, enter into such  
7 agreements and do all things deemed useful and necessary by it to  
8 effectuate the merger or acquisition; and the Narragansett Bay Water  
9 Quality Management District Commission is hereby authorized and may  
10 pass such resolutions, enter into such agreements and do all things  
11 useful and necessary by it to effectuate the merger or acquisition.

12 (c) Upon completion, the merger or acquisition shall be certified  
13 to the secretary of state by the executive director of the  
14 Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission.

15 (d) In accordance with the terms of the merger or acquisition  
16 agreement, on the effective date of the merger or acquisition, all  
17 property, real, personal and mixed, and all debts due on whatever ac-  
18 count, all other choses in action, and all and every other interest of  
19 or belonging to or due to the district or city or town related to such  
20 sewage treatment and/or water supply facilities, shall be taken and  
21 deemed to be transferred to and vested in the Narragansett Bay Water  
22 Quality Management District Commission without further act or deed;  
23 all persons employed by the district or city or town related to such  
24 sewage treatment and/or water supply facilities on the date of the  
25 merger or acquisition shall be deemed employees of the Narragansett  
26 Bay Water Quality Management District Commission; and the title to any  
27 real estate, or any interest therein, vested in the district or city  
28 or town related to such sewage treatment and/or water supply facili-  
29 ties shall not revert or be in any way impaired by reason of the  
30 merger or acquisition. In accordance with the terms of the merger or  
31 acquisition agreement, the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management  
32 District Commission ~~shall also~~ may provide by agreement to be respon-  
33 sible and liable for all or a portion of the liabilities and obli-

1 gations of the district or city or town related to such sewage treat-  
2 ment and/or water supply facilities; provided, however, that any lia-  
3 bilities for municipal taxes on property that may be acquired from the  
4 Providence Water Supply Board be restricted to liabilities existing at  
5 the time of acquisition, and additions or improvements made by the  
6 Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission after  
7 the acquisition shall not be subject to taxation; and any claim exist-  
8 ing or action or proceeding pending by or against the district or city  
9 or town related to such sewage treatment and/or water supply facili-  
10 ties may be prosecuted as if the merger or acquisition had not taken  
11 place, or the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Com-  
12 mission may be substituted in its place. Neither the rights of credi-  
13 tors nor any liens upon the property of the district or city or town  
14 related to such sewage treatment and/or water supply facilities shall  
15 be impaired by the merger or acquisition. The merger or acquisition  
16 as provided for herein shall not impair the obligation of any contract  
17 or agreement nor abate any suit, action or other proceeding lawfully  
18 commenced by or against the district or city or town related to such  
19 sewage treatment and/or water supply facilities, or any of its members  
20 or officers in relation to the discharge of their official duties, but  
21 a court of competent jurisdiction may, on motion filed within twelve  
22 (12) months after the effective date of the merger or acquisition,  
23 allow such a suit, action or proceeding to be maintained by or against  
24 the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission or  
25 any of its commissioners in relation to the discharge of their offi-  
26 cial duties.

27 (e) Upon completion of the acquisition, merger or consolidation,  
28 the district or any commission or other governing authority estab-  
29 lished by a city or town or the state to manage and operate the sewage  
30 treatment and/or water supply facilities shall cease to exist and any  
31 ordinance, charter provision, public law, general law, or bylaw gov-  
32 erning such district, commission, governing authority or sewage treat-  
33 ment facility shall be repealed in its entirety.

1 (f) Employees of such sewage treatment and/or water supply facil-  
2 ity, district, commission, or other governing authority who subse-  
3 quently become employees of the Narragansett Bay Water Quality Manage-  
4 ment District Commission as a result of such acquisition, merger or  
5 consolidation, in accordance with section 46-25-8 and are subject to  
6 the provisions of the classified and non-classified service of the  
7 state, shall be able to utilize their term of service with such sewage  
8 treatment and/or water supply facility, district, commission or other  
9 governing authority, as determined by the personnel administrator, for  
10 the purposes of longevity computation as it applies to wages, vacation  
11 time, and longevity increases. Provided, however, accrued vacation,  
12 sick leave, and all other benefits with the municipality, sewage  
13 treatment and/or water supply facility, district or other governing  
14 authority shall not be transferred.

15 (g) Any sewer and/or water use fees, charges, and assessments in  
16 effect prior to the merger or acquisition shall remain in effect and  
17 may be assessed and collected by the commission in accordance with  
18 sections 46-25-5(i), 46-25-5(j), 46-25-21, 46-25-22 and 46-25-22.1.  
19 Any change in such sewer use or water fees, charges and assessments  
20 shall be subject to the approval of the public utilities commission.

21 SECTION 4. Section 36-9-36 of the General Laws in Chapter 36-9  
22 entitled "Retirement System -- Membership and Service Credits" is  
23 hereby amended to read as follows:

24 36-9-36. Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management Commission --  
25 Merger -- New Employees. -- In the event that the Narragansett Bay  
26 Water Quality Management Commission, hereinafter referred to as "com-  
27 mission" shall acquire a sewage treatment and/or water supply facil-  
28 ity, hereinafter referred to as "facility", of any city, town or dis-  
29 trict, or in the event of the merger or consolidation of a facility  
30 into or with the commission, then any employee of the facility who  
31 subsequently becomes an employee of the commission and subject to the  
32 provisions of the classified service of the state, shall be a member  
33 of the state retirement system as provided in chapters 8, 9 and 10 of

1 title 36 and shall be granted service credits for his or her term of  
2 service with the facility prior to the transfer, provided (1) an ac-  
3 tual study is made to determine the cost to include each new member  
4 of the system and (2) the contributions of both the employer and  
5 employee made prior to the transfer are paid to the state employees'  
6 retirement fund.

7 If said employee elects not to have his or her funds transferred  
8 then that employee shall not receive credit for any prior service.  
9 Each employee shall have six (6) months from the time he/she becomes  
10 an employee of the commission to decide whether or not the employee  
11 wishes to have their funds transferred and receive credit for their  
12 prior service.

13 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
OF  
AN ACT  
RELATING TO UTILITIES

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- 1        This act would allow the Narragansett Bay Commission to
- 2        merge with, acquire, manage or operate a water supply facility.
- 3        This act would take effect upon passage.

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COUNCILMAN  
THOMAS M. GLAVIN  
MAJORITY LEADER



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## City of Providence, Rhode Island

April 5, 1994

The Honorable John B. Harwood  
Speaker of the House  
Room 323  
State House  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Speaker Harwood:

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This recommendation will be forwarded to the full City Council at its next meeting April 7, 1994. I anticipate it will receive approval on that date. (See attached Resolution).

The Committee on Legislative Matters has deemed the defeat of this bill to be of the utmost importance relative to a potential merger of the Providence Water Supply Board with the Narragansett Bay Commission without full and equitable compensation. Furthermore, we have serious reservations towards any potential acquisition or merger at this time because it will ultimately be cost prohibitive to all affected rate payers throughout Rhode Island.

I am confident the membership of the City Council will do everything possible to ensure this Bill is defeated. We strongly urge you to do the same.

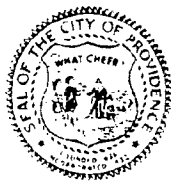
Thank you for your attention and consideration.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas M. Glavin".

Councilman Thomas M. Glavin  
Chairman/Committee on Legislative  
Matters

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## City of Providence, Rhode Island

April 5, 1994

Representative Gerard Martineau, Chairman  
House Committee on Corporations  
Room 203  
State House  
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