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**RE: S1984 An Act Resolve creating a commission to study ways to prevent bullying of tenants in public and subsidized multi-family housing**  
**DT: 29 February 2016**

Dear Chairman Dempsey and Members of the House Committee on Ways and Means,

Thank you for considering *S1984, An Act Resolve creating a commission to study ways to prevent bullying of tenants in public and subsidized multi-family housing* before your committee.

This bill would create a commission that would look at the prevalence and impact of bullying on tenants, with an emphasis on residents who are elderly and/or disabled, in state funded housing. The issue of bullying in public housing came to my attention because of multiple incidents in my district. Currently there is little recourse for residents especially when the perpetrator is management. Part of the commission's goal would be to make legislative recommendations both to prevent bullying and to protect victims.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I respectfully request that *S1984, An Act Resolve creating a commission to study ways to prevent bullying of tenants in public and subsidized multi-family housing* released favorably and expeditiously from your committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Heroux".

Paul Heroux