March 30, 2021



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To: BHS-CRC < bhscrc@barringtonschools.org >

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Date: 3/30/2021 1:15:04 PM From: "Grieco, Alison" To:

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To: "Grieco, Alison"

Subject: Re: Please read today before 4pm!!!

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Kathryn

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Subject: Re: Please read today before 4pm!!!

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To: "BHS-CRC", "Morris, Holly", "Justine Boisvert"

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Date: 3/30/2021 5:49:36 PM From: "Grieco, Alison" To: "Tammy McMichael"

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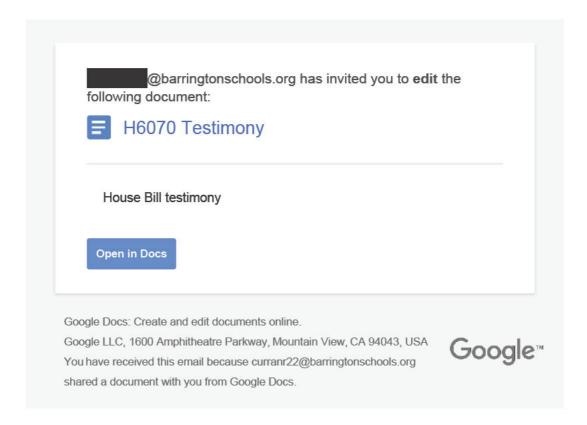


Date: 3/31/2021 12:02:05 PM

From: (via Google Docs)"

To: griecoa@barringtonschools.org

Subject: H6070 Testimony - Invitation to edit





Date : 3/31/2021 9:10:52 AM From : "Grieco, Alison"

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To: HouseEducation@rilegislature.gov

BCc: "Gina Bae"

Subject: written testimony on h-6070

Hello,

My name is Alison Grieco, I am submitting this testimony in opposition of H6070.

Thank you, Alison Grieco (she/her/hers) Social Studies Department

Alison Grieco's Testimony on Bill H 6070 (pdf)



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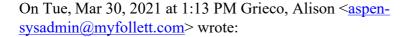
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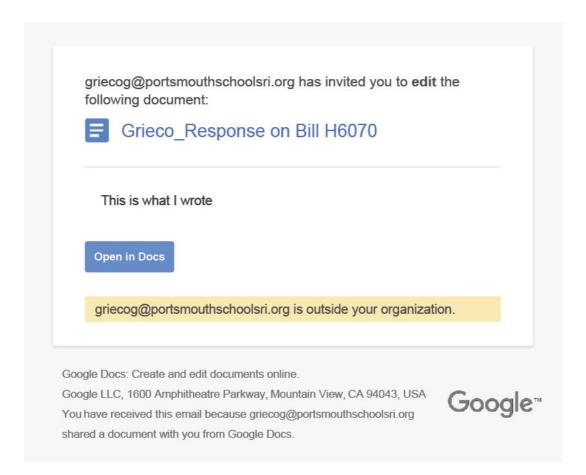


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To: griecoa@barringtonschools.org

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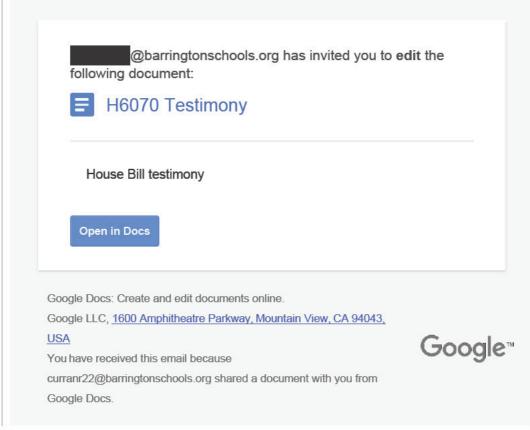
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Date: 3/31/2021 2:16:44 PM From: "Grieco, Alison" To: "Kathryn McGregor"

Subject: Fwd: H6070 Testimony - Invitation to edit

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Date: Wed, Mar 31, 2021 at 12:03 PM

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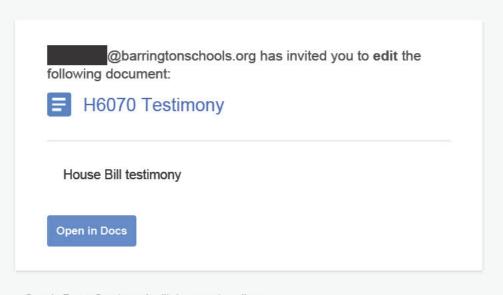
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Date: 3/31/2021 4:06:52 PM

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Subject: Bill H6070 Verbal Testimony - Invitation to view





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Date: 4/1/2021 7:08:22 AM From: "Erika Sanzi"

To: messorem@barringtonschools.org, hurleyj@barringtonschools.org

Cc: "Asra Nomani"

Subject: [*EXTERNAL*] Questions re student testimony at hearing

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Date: 4/1/2021 8:56:51 AM From: "McGregor, Kathryn"

To: "Alison Grieco"

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In case you wanted to pass along to Joe.

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Kathryn McGregor Social Studies Department Barrington High School



Date: 4/1/2021 10:17:03 AM From: "Michael Messore"

To: "Joseph Hurley", "Dillon, Paula"

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Date: 4/1/2021 10:57:33 AM From: "Grieco, Alison" To: "Joseph Hurley"

Subject: Fwd: Please read today before 4pm!!!

HI Joe.

Below is the email I sent and the string of emails in response.

Just to reiterate the timeline of events.

- --At the beginning of each semester I tell my students that every opinion is valuable in my classroom as long as it is respectful. I also consistently remind students that good civics discourse only happens when multiple sides of an issue is discussed so I encourage students to think about multiple sides of every issue.
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- --I sent this email to my AP Government students and to BHS-CRC
- --Gina Bae then asked me if she could forward it to school committee members and she did
- --I testified and the chairman told me that I couldn't name the author of the bill in my testimony as I did. I then said the remainder of my testimony
- --It was clear that my testimony was not well received by the author of the bill as I was in opposition to it
- --From what I can discern, my written testimony was the only one that was not included in the legislative record.
- --Jen Bergivine also testified at the hearing.
- --Gina Bae and Meghan Douglas also submitted testimony.
- --I have treated this bill as I have been treating the Government is Relevant project that all of our Government classes have been doing for the past 6 semesters. Students have been attending school committee meetings, attending public hearings, and writing letters to editors for that project. The goal is to always have our students not only read about civics but participate in the civic's processes. We have never promoted one opinion over another one, but always just promote our students to be active members of our democracy.

Thank you, Alison

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Assistant to Superintendent Superintendent



Date: 4/1/2021 3:12:11 PM From: "Michael Messore"

To: "Dillon, Paula"

Subject: RE: [*EXTERNAL*] Query re: Barrington High School

Call me.

From: Dillon, Paula < dillonp@barringtonschools.org>

Sent: Thursday, April 1, 2021 2:49 PM

To: Michael Messore < messorem@barringtonschools.org> **Subject:** Fwd: [*EXTERNAL*] Query re: Barrington High School

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Date : 4/6/2021 11:47:12 AM From : "Michael Messore"

To: "Douglas Fiore"

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From: Dillon, Paula < dillonp@barringtonschools.org>

Sent: Monday, April 5, 2021 8:42 AM

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Date: 4/1/2021 9:55:45 AM From: "Asra Nomani"

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Cc: hurleyj@barringtonschools.org, messorem@barringtonschools.org Subject: [*EXTERNAL*] Re: Questions re student testimony at hearing

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To: "Grieco, Alison" Cc: "BHS-CRC"

Subject : Re: Please read today before 4pm!!!

FYI: Here's the email I just sent to my AP Lang & Comp class

I just heard about H 6070 which is scheduled for hearing and consideration TOMORROW in front of the RI House Committee on Education. I have included the full act below. Essentially it prohibits the teaching of "divisive concepts" as well as prohibiting making "any individual feel discomfort, guilty, anguish or any distress on account of their race or sex."

If this passes I would no longer be able to teach the unit on Race or Gender. I have requested to testify in opposition and will be submitting written testimony. Directions on how to do this are at the bottom of the agenda for the

meeting: http://status.rilegislature.gov/documents/agenda-17263.pdf

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Thanks
Ms Bergevine

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May 2021



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Date: May 23, 2021 at 12:10:03 PM EDT

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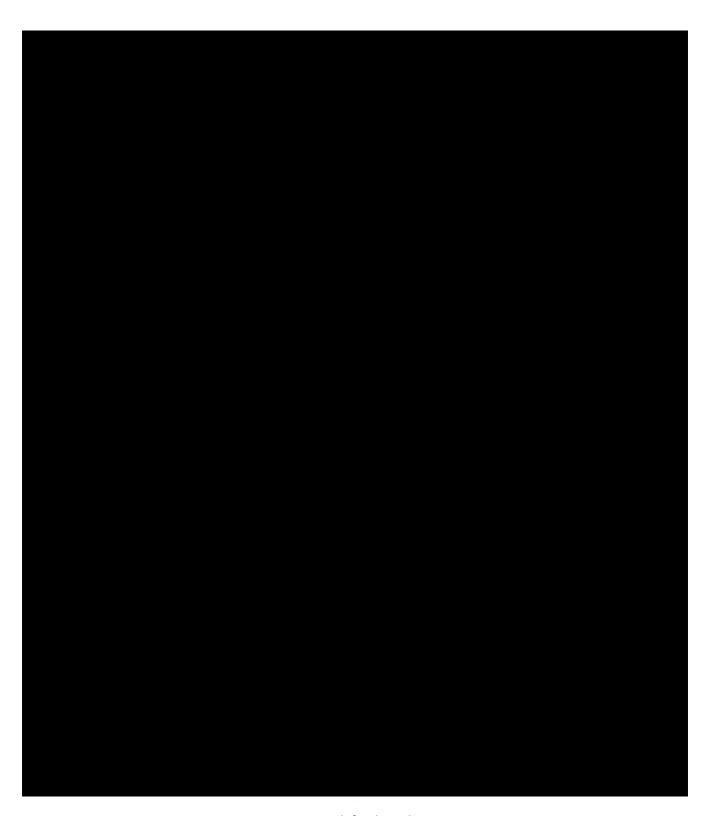
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