

Roberta DiMezza

From: Boris Bally <boris@borisbally.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 3:29 PM
To: House Judiciary Committee
Cc: Rep. Knight, Jason
Subject: Testimony
Attachments: 03_11_24_Testimony_Bally.pdf

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Dear Chairman Craven and honorable members of the House Judiciary Committee,

Please Include my testimony for H 7373 and H7217

It is attached as a PDF

Thank you!

-boris

Chairperson Robert E. Craven- RDiMezza@rilegislature.gov
11, 2024
House Judiciary Committee

March

Subject: Support for House Bills: H 7373, H 7217

Dear Chairman Craven and honorable members of the House Judiciary Committee,

My name is Boris Bally and I vote in Barrington, RI. I am a constituent of Representative Jason Knight in District 67.

I am a gun owner writing to urge you to support common-sense gun safety bills that will make all Rhode Islanders safer. As gun violence devastates communities across our nation, we must do everything we can here in Rhode Island to prevent death and injury resulting from gun shots. I am submitting written testimony on behalf of myself, and also as a representative of the I.M.A.G.I.N.E. Peace Now collective, a creative advocacy group I founded in 2016. We are comprised of over 100 artists organized to eradicate gun violence via their artistic endeavors, visual and written statements as well as educational outreach.

Specifically, I urge you to prioritize support for:

- H 7373(Caldwell), which would require all firearms to be stored securely when not under the control of their owner or another authorized user and promote efforts to educate gun owners, parents, and students about the benefits of secure gun storage; and

- H 7217 (Knight), which would prohibit the future manufacture, sale, transfer, purchase, and possession of assault weapons, while providing a pathway for current owners of assault weapons to keep the ones they currently have.

These bills will reduce the spread of exceptionally deadly, military-style firearms – which are commonplace in mass shootings – in our communities and also save lives by preventing firearm suicide, gun theft, unintentional shootings, and unauthorized access to guns by helping ensure that secure storage becomes the norm across Rhode Island.

Please pass common-sense gun safety bills out of committee and to the House floor with a recommendation for passage. Thank you for your service!

Sincerely,



Boris Bally

Organizer, I.M.A.G.I.N.E. Peace Now collective

Owner, Bally Humanufactured, LLC

12 Clarke Road, Barrington, RI 02806

401-556-6615 boris@BorisBally.com

boris bally

bally humanufactured, LLC

barrington, rhode island, usa

mobile:

401-556-6615

e:

boris@BorisBally.com

web:

www.borisbally.com

This e-mail (including any attachments) is confidential and may be legally privileged. If you are not an intended recipient or an authorized representative of an intended recipient, you are prohibited from using, copying or distributing the information in this e-mail or its attachments. If you have received this e-mail in error, please notify the sender immediately by return e-mail and delete all copies of this message and any attachments. Thank you.

Chairperson Robert E. Craven- RDiMezza@rilegislature.gov
House Judiciary Committee

March 11, 2024

Subject: Support for House Bills: H 7373, H 7217

Dear Chairman Craven and honorable members of the House Judiciary Committee,

My name is Boris Bally and I vote in Barrington, RI. I am a constituent of Representative Jason Knight in District 67.

I am a gun owner writing to urge you to support common-sense gun safety bills that will make all Rhode Islanders safer. As gun violence devastates communities across our nation, we must do everything we can here in Rhode Island to prevent death and injury resulting from gun shots. I am submitting written testimony on behalf of myself, and also as a representative of the I.M.A.G.I.N.E. Peace Now collective, a creative advocacy group I founded in 2016. We are comprised of over 100 artists organized to eradicate gun violence via their artistic endeavors, visual and written statements as well as educational outreach.

Specifically, I urge you to prioritize support for:

- H 7373(Caldwell), which would require all firearms to be stored securely when not under the control of their owner or another authorized user and promote efforts to educate gun owners, parents, and students about the benefits of secure gun storage; and
- H 7217 (Knight), which would prohibit the future manufacture, sale, transfer, purchase, and possession of assault weapons, while providing a pathway for current owners of assault weapons to keep the ones they currently have.

These bills will reduce the spread of exceptionally deadly, military-style firearms – which are commonplace in mass shootings – in our communities and also save lives by preventing firearm suicide, gun theft, unintentional shootings, and unauthorized access to guns by helping ensure that secure storage becomes the norm across Rhode Island. Please pass common-sense gun safety bills out of committee and to the House floor with a recommendation for passage. Thank you for your service!

Sincerely,



Boris Bally
Organizer, I.M.A.G.I.N.E. Peace Now collective
Owner, Bally Humanufactured, LLC
12 Clarke Road, Barrington, RI 02806
401-556-6615 boris@BorisBally.com