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To: House Judiciary Committee
Subject: Fw: Please oppose Rhode Island House Bill H7217 (Rooted in Nazi gun control laws).

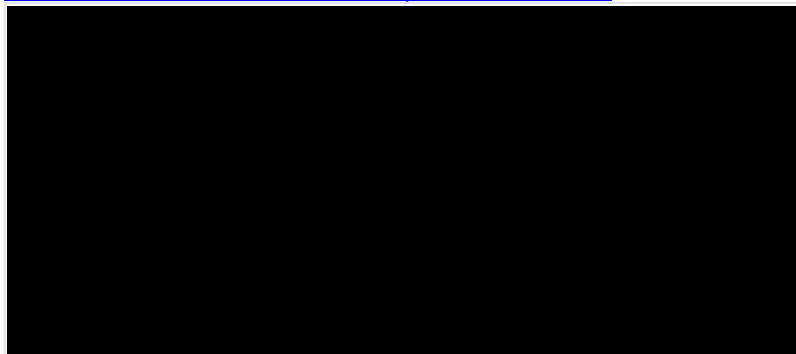
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Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 07:38:31 PM EST
Subject: Please oppose Rhode Island House Bill H7217 (Rooted in Nazi gun control laws).

Our previous email sent yesterday failed to address one of the biggest issues, House Bill H7217 (Rooted in Nazi gun control laws).

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The perennial gun-control debate in America did not begin here.
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SS chief Heinrich Himmler decreed that 20 years be served in a concentration camp by any Jew possessing a firearm. Rusty revolvers and bayonets from the Great War were confiscated from Jewish veterans who had served with distinction. Twenty thousand Jewish men were thrown into concentration camps, and had to pay ransoms to get released.

(Wow sounds like H7217).

No wonder that in 1941, just days before the Pearl Harbor attack, Congress reaffirmed Second Amendment rights and prohibited gun registration. In 1968, bills to register guns were debated, with opponents recalling the Nazi experience and supporters denying that the Nazis ever used registration records to confiscate guns.

The bills were defeated, as every such proposal has been ever since, including recent “universal background check” bills.

This is why we have RI General Law 11-47-41 which forbids registration.

Please oppose RI House Bill H7217

Thank You,

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