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House Committee on Judiciary
Rhode Island State House
HouseJudiciary@rilegislature.gov

Re: Testimony OPPOSING House Bills 7374 and 8026

Dear Chair Craven and Honorable Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in opposition to these bills that **weaken** gun safety in Rhode Island.

These bills would make it easier for individuals to possess guns who have demonstrated that they may not safely possess them. They would allow for a greater number of individuals to carry concealed firearms –unnecessarily increasing risk and danger.

They are thinly veiled attempts to chip away at the already weak laws we have limiting unreasonable firearm ownership and use, and I urge you to oppose them.

Thank you for your time and attention, and for all of your work on behalf of all Rhode Islanders.

Sincerely,

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