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To: House Judiciary Committee
Subject: Bill Concerning Weapons being heard tonight

S-2202

Dear Esteemed Representatives:

Tonight, you will once again hear bills concerning firearms.

I do not support any of these bills.

I find it amusing that we want to do things like allow Police to have suppressors, as they are the only ones who supposedly are trained enough to use them--yet we have stories of cops drinking and driving and shooting at children in RI. The idea that they want these to protect hearing when entering a home is an honest concern. However, it is of the same concern of anyone who enjoys the shooting sports. They protect all of our hearing while bringing the sound of gun fire to near hearing safe, not silent, but near hearing safe. Most still allow for over 140db when in use. Why are the police going to be allowed to purchase something to protect their hearing, that we as citizens cannot? This is a safety item! Our cars can't pass inspection without a muffler, but for some reason you all want our guns to be as loud as possible.

I feel the safe storage bills are nothing more than "we need to do something" to make outside coalitions happy so that they keep donating to chosen Rep's and Senators PAC's. These bill's appear essentially unenforceable, and greatly infringe on the personal privacy of our citizens, no matter how many times the bill says that is not the goal.

I feel none of these bills will address the growing issue of rising crime, and criminals not following laws. Meanwhile our infrastructure is still failing, and our citizens are still greatly inconvenienced by a broken bridge. We have a 125 million dollar soccer stadium being built for a team that can't sell tickets (I have received 2 calls in the last two weeks offering me deals to please come watch them), but we can't pave our roads efficiently due to costs. Enough with the Pandering to Outsider Coalitions, please fix our literally broken State!

Please vote No.

Sincerely,

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