



Dear Chair Craven and members of the Judiciary Committee,

I am The Rev. Eugene T. Dyszlewski, Pastor, of Lime Rock Baptist Church, and Commissioner of Social Justice with the Rhode Island State Council of Churches. **I am writing in support of House Bill 5130.**

As fingerprinting, for over 100 years, and DNA matching for almost 40 years, have become well established methods for connecting criminals to crime scenes, so should ballistic matching become a universal method for tracing crime guns. In fact, it has been used successfully here in Rhode Inland to convict the killer of Miya Brophy-Baerman, by tying the ghost gun used in the crime back to the murderer. We must ensure ballistics matching becomes routine in law enforcement, and his bill does that.

We must also do all we can to confront the scourge of gun violence in Rhode Island, and convict the perpetrators of gun crimes. Please take this sense le step to move us in that direction

I respectfully urge you to send Bill 5130 to the full House with aa recommendation for passage.

Thank you,

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