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RI House Judiciary Committee,

I am writing to you to oppose HB-5436 RI Assault Weapons Ban, a sweeping bill that would ban many rifles and handguns that Rhode Islanders have legally owned and trained with for years as law abiding citizens. This bill is a direct attack on our 2A Constitutional Rights. Under this bill, law abiding citizens will be fingerprinted; required to register our firearms; and upon death, our families will be forced to relinquish our firearms with no monetary compensation or face mandatory jail time.

Our 2nd Amendment says the "the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." I think this a is a slow, creeping and deliberate attempt to infringe on the rights of law-abiding RI gun owners by the RI Legislation. The 2nd Amendment Right belongs to all individual Americans. The Right of Self Defense is the First Law of Nature, and here we have fellow Rhode Islanders trying to infringe on this right of the people they are supposed to serve. You should be spending your time trying to stop illegal and criminal gun owners who violate the lives and rights of innocent and law-abiding Rhode Islanders. Please oppose HB-5436 Assault Weapons Ban.

Best regards,

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