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Dear Chairman Craven and House Judiciary Committee,

I am a law-abiding Rhode Islander, lifelong Democrat from District 55, and gun owner. I grew up with firearms. My father, a Korean War Veteran, taught his six children how to use firearms safely for hunting and recreational shooting. I am a member of a local range and find shooting a safe, enjoyable pastime. This bill unfairly targets firearms that I, and thousands of others, have legally owned for years for self-defense, sport, and recreation. It does nothing to address crime or put in place measures to protect our most vulnerable, while punishing responsible citizens like me. Those who would do harm care less about laws such as this. *Time would be far better spent appropriating funds for implementing measures to keep our schools safe and tackling the mental health crisis.* Because of this, I strongly oppose bills H5436, H5443, H5651, H5652, H5654, H5889, H5890, and H5891. I urge you to vote against these overreaching legislations and protect our constitutional rights.

Sincerely,

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