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**My name is Joseph Martin, a law-abiding Rhode Island citizen and gun owner. I strongly oppose H-5436, the Assault Weapons Ban of 2025. 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 while punishing responsible citizens like me. I urge you to vote against this overreaching legislation and protect our constitutional rights.**

**Sincerely,**

**Joseph K Martin**

**2008 case of *District of Columbia v. Heller* the Supreme Court explicitly maintained that the Second Amendment does accord and protect an individual's right to bear arms.**

**Looks like RI maybe heading to the Supreme Court as well.**

**Second Amendment violation occurs when government actions or laws unjustly restrict an individual's right to own, carry, or use firearms as guaranteed under the U.S. Constitution.**

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