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Senate Judiciary Committee

Chairman Representative Robert E. Craven

RE: H-5436 Assault Weapons Ban 2025

Subject: Testimony – H -5436: Against Passage

My name is Lisa M. Corsi, a law-abiding Rhode Island citizen and gun owner. I strongly oppose H-5436, the Assault Weapons Ban 2025 . The law as written will ban more than just an AK style rifle, it will ban ALL semi-automatic firearms, whether pistols, rifles, shotguns, hunting firearms, target-shooting guns, or collectible firearms that citizens have legally owned for years.

This ban will affect every **LAW ABIDING** citizen of Rhode Island who are competitive shooters, recreational target shooters, hunters or firearms collectors. On top of that you are creating an **Illegal and Unconstitutional** firearms registry.

This law denies our 2nd amendment rights, takes away the ability to engage in sports, the ability to leave our lawfully owned property to our heirs and even our right to self-defense. It also has devastating effects on the Rhode Island economy as the State will forfeit millions in annual sales tax revenue.

The intent of this law is safety, however as with so called large capacity magazine ban it will NOT have any effect on safety. Law-abiding citizens are not the issue, criminals are! Criminals do not care what laws are passed. Just look at the police reports on crimes in our State. Crimes involving guns are always committed with illegal guns by well-known criminals with long criminal histories. What you need to do is prosecute the criminals and put them in jail, instead of releasing them back into the community. We need a better criminal justice system along with better mental health care.

Please do not take away the constitutional rights of law-abiding citizens because of the acts of criminals.

Please reject the Assault Weapons Ban!!

Sincerely,

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