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For the record, I oppose the following bills:

H5436, H5443, H5651, H5652, H5654, H5889, H5890, H5891,

There is nothing in these bills that makes RI safer. Focus on the criminals, not the law abiding citizens. I will be voting in the Democrat primary against anyone who votes for these bills. H5436 has redefined and potentially reclassified every known firearm as an assault weapon, forcing registration, fees, and 10 years in jail and \$10,000 in fines for each offense? Really? Imposing this mandate on cities and towns already struggling to keep us safe, now have to dedicate officers to process these registrations and provide storage space for firearms turned in. Small businesses that contribute north of \$500,000 in sales tax(one local business alone) will now be forced out of business. This bill prohibits us from using the most popular (and safest) firearms for hunting and personal protection. Our trap and skeet guns, prohibited. Target and personal protection fir arms, prohibited. Family heirlooms will be lost due to provisions in H5436.

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