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Dear Chairman Craven and House Judiciary Committee,

My name is Mike O'Brien, 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. I am an avid shooter for sport, and mainly for protection of my family including my wife and daughter. They are absolutely the most important things in my life and I will die to protect them. It is unconstitutional to take mine as well as any other law abiding United States citizens guns away from them. People like me do not break the law and are not the problem in this country. You are only restricting my rights as a legal law-abiding gun owner meanwhile criminals are not going to adhere to your laws and nothing will change for them. This nonsense of blaming the gun for the issues in this state and country needs to stop. Please do not vote to ban any firearms moving forward.

Sincerely,

Mike O'Brien