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From: R.J. Petrillo <rjpetrillo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 8:01 PM
To: House Judiciary Committee
Subject: SUPPORT H5936

Members of the Judiciary committee,

H5936 is long overdue. Too many jurisdictions play fast and loose with their licensing policies. In a post *NYSRPA v. Bruen* world we live in - RI needs to update their laws to be in compliance with the recent landmark Supreme Court decisions. When it comes to the deprivation of rights, Rhode Islanders deserve a right to appeal arbitrary decisions by bureaucrats. **I advocate its speedy passage.**

Thank you for your time and consideration. I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this further.

Best regards,
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I **advocate for passing H5935** which would acknowledge out of state licenses to be valid in the state of Rhode Island. We already recognize out of state drivers licenses, and that isn't even a right enshrined by the constitution. I see a lot of talk from the opposite side of this argument about "being good neighbors" to our neighboring states. Why don't we start by honoring their CCW licenses and respecting the work their police departments have done in issuing them?

Additionally this law has provisions in it to standardize and modernize the licensing process in RI. This is LONG overdue. Too many jurisdictions play fast and loose with their licensing policies. In a post-*NYSRPA v. Bruen* world we live in - RI needs to update their laws to be in compliance with the recent landmark Supreme Court decisions. **I advocate its speedy passage.**

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I encourage passing of H5933/59344 - which would bring RI into compliance with the *Caetano v. Massachusetts* Supreme Court decision from 2016, nearly a decade ago.

However I do not feel a firearms license should be required to carry a stun gun any more than it should be for pepper spray, but this is at least a step in the right direction. If we can strike the licensing requirement this would be an extremely good bill

Simply striking the Stun Gun verbiage from **11-47-42. Weapons other than firearms prohibited** and adding the section **11-47-8.2. Purchase, possession, sale or use of stun gun** as it is currently written would be perfect, and in compliance with the Supreme Court's decision in *Caetano*.

It is rather silly that we would force those who wish to carry a non-lethal self-defense item to undergo the onerous, lengthy, and costly process to obtain a RI CCW license.

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