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From: Michael Santos <MSantos@MassHireSS.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2024 4:09 PM

To: House Environment and Natural Resources Committee

Subject: BILL 7294

## Good Afternoon,

My name is Michael Santos and I am the Secretary of Little Rhody Beagle Club in Warwick, RI. I am an avid outdoorsman and have been a hunter and field trialer since I was a kid. My family has owned and hunted with hound dogs since the 1940's and it continues to day with my kids and grandkid. I am responding in regards to BILL 7294 witch pertains to hunting in enclosed areas. The manner in which this Bill has been documented and potentially presented will have huge impact on the state of our sport, hobby and future of outdoor sports for hunters. We will be pushing kids from the outdoors to reside indoors playing video games versus expanding their minds and horizons. We must protect the outdoor resources, expand our knowledge of the past and relish and how far we have come as a society. Supporting this Bill as currently written will be a shot against everything we hold true and have everlasting impact on the youth of tomorrow. I ask that you look at this Bill and if you so choose to amend subsection (d) to "Or Field Trials and Dog Training".

## Kindly,



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<sup>&</sup>quot;Alone we can do so little; Together we can do so much." Helen Keller