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House Environment and Natural Resource Committee:

I am writing in support of Proposal H-7783, which would fully ban second generation anticoagulation rodenticides in Rhode Island.

I spend two or three days each week birding and enjoying the various types of wildlife that we have here in Rhode Island. I see many of these wild species in our own backyard. I also see first-hand how humans have made life in the wild more difficult for many different species that inhabit wild spaces in Rhode Island. If rodenticides are banned in Rhode Island and many other states, I'm convinced that the companies that manufacture these chemicals can find a better way. In fact, at this time, safer, more humane alternatives exist that are more sustainable.

Thank you for considering my opinion. I urge the committee to support H-7783 to fully ban second generation anti-coagulant rodenticides for use in Rhode Island.

Sincerely, Norm Grant