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To: Chair Craven and members of the House Judiciary Committee

From: Michael Citarella

RE: Support: H 7216
DATE: February 27, 2024

Chair Craven and honorable members of the House Judiciary Committee:

My name is Michael Citarella. I am a current First Year at Brown University.

I am writing to urge you to support common-sense gun safety bills that will make all Rhode Islanders safer. As gun violence devastates communities across our nation, we must do everything we can here in Rhode Island to prevent gun homicides, suicides, and injuries.

I grew up in Trumbull, Connecticut, 10 miles from Sandy Hook Elementary School. While not directly affected, the senseless slaughter of kids my age has been with me for the last decade and has driven me to push for firearm reform wherever possible.

Today, I am writing to you to help further make our communities safer by removing guns from our streets. Criminal guns have no right to protection under the law and through this bill, we can help prevent future criminal actions.

I urge you to prioritize support for:

- H 7216 (Boylan), which would require law enforcement to submit a crime gun or two fired casings for tracing and entry into NIBIN.

Please pass common-sense gun safety bills out of committee and to the House floor with a recommendation for passage.

Sincerely,

