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Subject: OPPOSE HB 5447 and allow legal furs to continue to be sold in RI

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House Judiciary Committee
82 Smith Street
Providence, RI 02903

March 4, 2025

Re: Testimony in **Opposition** to House bill No. 5447– TRADE IN ANIMAL FUR PRODUCTS ACT

Dear Chair Craven and members of the House Judiciary Committee:

I am Susan Pollack of S Pollack Inc in Reading PA, speaking on behalf of my business and all retail fur stores in America.

I vehemently oppose H 5447 – An act obliterating the sale of legal fur products with civil penalties for violations of such transactions; namely another attempt to ban the sale of natural, everlasting fur fashions.

I oppose H 5447 because...

The fur business is my livelihood. My great-grandfather started my business in 1900. I am the 4th generation and have been running my company for the past 16 years. There is nothing like real fur. It is natural, sustainable, and should NOT be outlawed in Rhode Island. Many fur businesses are owned by small families, who work very hard to make a living. Small businesses are the backbone of society and should not be outlawed. CONTINUE FUR FASHIONS IN RHODE ISLAND!!!!

I urge you to vote against H 5447 and continue to allow legal fur fashions and products to be sold in the state of Rhode Island.

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to speak against 5447. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,
Your Name
Susan Pollack
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