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Please do not support bill H5436, the "Rhode Island Assault Weapons Ban of 2025." It will not make Rhode Islanders safer. The firearms banned in the bill are used in less than 4% of homicides, Criminals who commit most of the murders will pay no attention a ban. The bill bans hundreds of rifles that Rhode Islanders have been able to own legally for more than a century. Limiting the firearms law-abiding people can own to protect themselves makes us all less safe.

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