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From: robertmich7 (null) <robertmich7@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 5:29 PM
To: House Judiciary Committee
Subject: I am a Rhode Island Resident and I strongly OPPOSE the following antigun bills: H5436, H5443, H5651, H5652, H5654, H5889, H5890, H5891.

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Dear Representative ,

I am writing to you today as a concerned citizen, a father , a husband, and a veteran, deeply affected by the tragic violence that has touched my family. I am urging you to reconsider the proposed gun bill currently under consideration, as it poses a significant threat to the fundamental right to protect oneself and one's family — a right enshrined in the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

My family's story is one of heartache, loss, and a desperate need to protect those I love. My brother-in Law was murdered, and my niece was shot in a senseless act of violence. <https://nypost.com/2023/05/24/2-dead-after-rhode-island-shooting-sparked-by-gunmans-peeping-tom-incident/>

At one time or another from my immediate family we have been robbed, shot at even car jacked on Manton ave. Does anyone know what that feels like when no one is coming to our rescue especially when kids are in car it's absolutely terrifying.

These tragedies have shaped my understanding of the importance of self-defense and the right to bear arms. I have lived through the devastating consequences of violence, and I firmly believe that my right to protect myself and my family must never be compromised. it took 3 towns- providence, Johnston & Cranston to take down one man yet times when calling police we get put on hold not available. What are my or my family's chances in my view not good.

As a veteran, I & my wife served my country to protect its values, including the right to self-defense. As a father and a husband, my responsibility is to ensure that my family is safe, and that I have the tools to defend them in times of danger. I have always been a strong advocate for the Second Amendment, and I believe it is a cornerstone of our freedoms as Americans. It is not just about owning a firearm — it is about the inherent right to protect oneself and one's loved ones from harm.

This bill, if passed, will only serve to disarm law-abiding citizens while doing little to address the root causes of violence. It will make it more difficult for responsible gun owners to exercise their rights and will ultimately leave law-abiding citizens vulnerable to criminals who do not adhere to the law.

I urge you to stand with the countless individuals who value their right to self-defense and respect the Second Amendment. Please oppose this bill and ensure that our rights are not undermined. As a father, a husband, a veteran, and a survivor of personal tragedy, I ask you to consider the lasting impact this legislation will have on our ability to protect our families and our communities.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I am available to discuss this matter further if you would like.

Sincerely,
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