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Please do not support the assault weapons ban.

This AWB cannot make the public safer. It can only make Rhode Islanders less safe. Here's why:

Street gangs and career criminals commit the vast majority of homicides and other violent crimes. They will ignore this law just as they do all others. They do not get their firearms legally. This AWB will limit people who buy firearms legally for self-defense. This puts the public at a disadvantage versus armed criminals.

This AWB is a superficial, ineffective emotional reaction to a problem with deep human behavioral roots. It can only make the public less safe.

Please do not support the assault weapons ban.

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