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Good afternoon,

My name is Brenda Jacob from the RI Revolver & Rifle Association. Our organization represents thousands of Rhode Islanders in every town and city in the State of Rhode Island.

At a time when the Legislature is grappling with the task of balancing a state budget that is millions of dollars in deficit, Rhode Islanders are facing collapsing bridges, failing health care systems, data data breaches and are struggling to pay their electric bills, Why is our legislature focusing on the Assault Weapons ban? This ban is going to cost our state by cutting off a growing revenue source of over \$600 million dollars and cost Rhode Island 1300 jobs.

RI Firearm industry manufacturing is one of the fastest growing industries in the country.
In 2023 Rhode Island was 2nd in Economic output, 2nd in job growth and 2nd in growth in excise tax.

Manufacturing for the firearms industry in Rhode Island has increased 42% since 2019. (I have a list of all the manufactures that will be affected if you would like me to forward it to you)
I have attached the data sheet for you to review and can provide you with more data related to the firearm industry.

On a personal level I am directly involved in the manufacturing sector in RI and know the direct impact this bill will have on manufacturers and their employees.

This bill negatively impacts all Rhode Islanders on every level financially, environmentally, and personally. I urge you to stop this bill in committee and take the time to truly understand its impact.

Sincerely,

Brenda Jacob,
RI Revolver and Rifle Association