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Dear Esteemed Representatives,

Don't fall for it. Don't fall for these supposed common-sense changes made to the Assault Weapons Bill. It was held in both committees for a reason, voluntary or not, we cannot have a registry in this state. It is unconstitutional. We voted down the constitution convention for a reason!

Voluntary or not, this is a ban on almost every gun made in America because of the ambiguity and intentional vagueness built into this bill.

We all know that Voluntary this session, means Mandatory next session. Stop letting outside interest groups influence RI decisions. Our state was first in Independence for a reason, and now there is this alarming push to conform to those around us.

This state has an <u>alarming</u> number of other issues that are actual problems, guns is not one of them.

Remember you will have to tell your constituents: "Sorry folks, our Roads are crap, our bridges are broken, our Contractors put poisonous dirt next to houses, our demolition crews dump waste and hydraulic oil into the river, your medical information is exposed via cyber threat and by the way the doctors are leaving by the droves. We have no places for you to live that won't cost you your first born, you live in the 8th highest Tax Burden, but the worst state to do business in. Your Govenor has one of the lowest approval ratings ever recorded, and we are looking at ways to make your taxes higher and more unaffordable......but you know what, at least we made criminals out of normal citizens with that gun bill, even though RI has the lowest overall gun death rate and gun suicide rate in the country. Look what we did for you! "

Just stop, think, do some research and hold Vote NO on this bill....again. Cities around the state have voted they will not support this ban, with 3 more voting this week...for god's sake stop and think. The only ones that win here are the lawyers that make money off of gun crimes, because if this passes you are going to have a large majority of this state turned criminals over night.

By the way, not that it should matter...I was a registered democrat till this bill was brought forth and attached to the state budget, to say that this bill was alarming, and that the Govenor felt he could bypass the normal legislative process by attaching it to the budget...this drove me to unaffiliate. Shameful how the once party for the people has been the one to attack its own citizen's rights the most.

Thanks for your time,

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