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Please do not support the Assault Weapons Ban Act of 2025.

The Assault Weapons Ban puts Rhode Islanders at far greater risk of being victims of violent crime involving firearms. According to a Centers for Disease Control study, 500,000 to 3 million times a year a lawfully armed person uses their firearm defensively. That six times the annual criminal use of firearms.

Fifty-seven percent of convicted criminals say they are more afraid of armed citizens than they are of the police.

Voting for the AWB puts Rhode Island lives at risk by taking away access to the firearms they depend on for self-defense.

Please do not support the AWB.

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