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Good Morning Representatives,

My name is Dennis Varone II and I live at 16 Excalibur Drive, Richmond, RI 02892.

I write to you today to oppose House Bill 5436 as it is a direct threat to the freedoms of your constituents. The second amendment was and is a right granted to all people of the United States and passing legislation that restricts or bans the rights of the people is a threat to the republic.

Contrary to the beliefs of the paid lobbyists (some from out of state) that push these types of bills, passing this type of legislation puts the public in more danger, not less. The law abiding citizen that does not engage in criminal or psychotic activity will be left to deal with the consequences while gang members and the mentally ill continue to use weapons to harm the masses.

There are currently laws in place that restrict who can own a firearm - those with criminal records and mental illness, for example, cannot legally have firearms. If the sponsors of this bill feel as though the current laws are not working, I suggest studying why they don't work and how to better enforce the current laws instead of passing new legislation that does nothing but make certain groups of people feel better.

Thank you for your time.

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