

Testimony in support of H7211: The RI Community Protection Act

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To Chair McEntee and the honorable Members of the House Judiciary Committee:

I support the bill because it would bar law enforcement from wearing masks or disguises when interacting with the public, require visible ID, allow limited safety and undercover exceptions, and impose criminal penalties and civil liability for violations.

The bill is of particular importance because it would send a clear message to ICE that Rhode Island does not tolerate their current practice of wearing face cover and being unidentifiable.

Please bring the bill to a vote in 2026.

Thank you very much for considering my input, and thank you to Representative Felix for introducing this important bill.



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