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Dear Rep. Jennifer Boylan,

As a constituent and resident of Portsmouth, I am writing to express my strong opposition to RI 2026 H7035, "An Act Relating to Criminal Offenses — Weapons". I believe this bill, which prohibits the purchase of more than one firearm in a thirty-day period, is misguided and will have unintended consequences for law-abiding Rhode Island residents.

I have several concerns about this bill. Firstly, it will disproportionately affect collectors and enthusiasts who often purchase multiple firearms at once, either for personal collection or for resale. Secondly, it will create an undue burden on local gun shops, which will have to implement and track these new regulations, potentially driving up costs and hurting small businesses. Thirdly, I worry that this bill will not effectively address the root causes of gun violence in our state, instead targeting responsible gun owners who are not the problem.

As someone who has spoken with local gun owners and shop owners in Portsmouth, I have seen firsthand the impact that overly broad regulations can have on our community. Many of these individuals are passionate about firearms for sport and recreation, and they already follow strict guidelines to ensure public safety. I urge you to consider the real-world impact of this bill on our residents and to vote against H7035.

Thank you for your time and service, I respectfully ask that you oppose this bill and focus on more effective solutions to addressing gun violence in Rhode Island.

With appreciation for your public service, Luis Perry Portsmouth