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Dear Members of the RI House Judiciary Committee,

As a long-time law abiding resident of Rhode Island, I urge you to not pass H8073.

I am a 45 year old IT professional, a long-time public sector employee, and an Eagle Scout. As someone who has enjoyed shooting for recreation and sport since childhood, I urge you to take a wider look at the newly added "possess" language and vote as the people who are actually impacted want you to.

This bill won't actually reduce gun violence; it will only affect your constituents by infringing on our constitutional rights and taking away lawfully obtained property.

I appreciate your time, and I'm available to speak more if you have any questions.

Thank you,  
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