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I oppose this bill in the strongest terms possible. It is relatively unprecedented to force citizens to give up something they have purchased, owned and used lawfully without consideration of "grandfathering" those citizens who have abided by existing laws. When auto safety or emissions standards are changed, we don't force people to turn in their older cars. Rather, we create exemptions for vehicles in existence. This bill is cynical, divisive and foolish, not to mention unfair and an insult to lawful gun owners. I scored 100% on my Massachusetts gun safety course, 99% on my Rhode Island hunter safety course and keep my firearms locked in a two hundred pound safe with the ammunition stored in a separate safe two floors down. I bitterly resent attempts to turn me into a criminal in arrears.

I don't know who is driving this type of legislation but it is also an insult to the state that was first in the nation regarding many individual freedoms. I suspect outside forces are focused on our state because we are small and our politicians easily influenced or perhaps it is a final insult to the people by the soon to be former administration??

Please kill this bill in the cradle.

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