

**Rep. Craven, Robert E.**

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**From:** Diane Mielke <snmielke@goeaston.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 13, 2021 12:25 AM  
**To:** Rep. Craven, Robert E.  
**Subject:** Please do not vote RI H5040 out of committee!

Dear Chair Craven:

Insofar as I have seen where animal abuser registries have been used as a basis for stripping the Civil Liberties of their registrants, I ask you respectfully to please not pass RI H5040 out of Committee.

I am aware that the information upon which this bill is based is flawed. There is no scientific or factually peer-reviewed study that has definitively shown that there is a direct relation between animal abuse and violence upon humans. This is a myth perpetuated by animal rights groups such as the Humane Society of the US and the Animal Legal Defense Fund in order to further separate animals from human beings.

I am aware that such animal abuse registries have been used as a basis to remove the Constitutional Rights of the registrant to own a gun and to own property. Their privacy has been violated, their children removed; they have been submitted to public and private harassment and vandalism of their homes. They have been barred from working in fields to which they have dedicated their lives -all because of fraudulent and flawed information pushed by Animal Rights groups to attack animal owners and make animal ownership not work the risk.

Please do not pass H5040 out of committee.

Sincerely,

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