

March 9, 2025

House Committee on Municipal Government and Housing

Re: HB 5704 to ban use of rodenticides

Dear Committee members,

My name is Vahe Bedian, and I reside at 90 Wood Cove Dr, Coventry, RI 02816. I want to express my strong support for HB 5704, the proposed legislation to ban the use of rodenticides. These poisonous chemicals are transmitted through the food chain to raptors, many of which may be endangered. I cherish the fact that Rhode Island recognizes the value of environmental conservation and urge you to act on the ban of poisonous chemicals that are unnecessary and destructive. A healthy raptor population is an essential component of a balanced ecosystem, and rodent control can be achieved without the use of rodenticides.

Thank you for your time and attention,

Respectfully yours,

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