I am a resident of Fairfield and wish to voice my **OPPOSITION** for Bill No. 5040.

I OPPOSE this legislation, because it makes it more difficult to afford to exercise one’s Constitutional right to bear arms and to defend oneself. Thousands of law-abiding citizens in CT purchase ammunition for self-defense, as well as to enjoy the shooting sports as a hobby. A tax would also make it more difficult for lower-income, law-abiding citizens to exercise their Constitutional right. Further, it is unjust to take money in the form of taxes from law-abiding citizens and give it to groups who oppose those citizens’ right to defend themselves.

Taxes do not solve the problem we have of criminals committing crimes with firearms. Identifying the root cause of a problem is essential to solving the problem. Law-abiding, well-trained citizens are not the root cause. In fact, they can prevent crimes. Please reconsider a solution to the real problem.

Your **OPPOSITION** for this Bill is important. I am asking that you **OPPOSE** the Bill.

Sincerely,

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