Hello -

I am writing this e-mail to inform you of my opposition to proposed house bill 5040, An Act Establishing An Excise Tax On Ammunition. This bill is asking for a 35% tax on ammunition per round?! This is beyond ludicrous! This is discriminatory at the least; to single out tax-paying citizens in Connecticut that are legal gun owners to support the anti-gun legislation that will be funded by this tax. As a matter of fact, it is more of a "slap in the face". The true underlying reason for this proposal is to cut the flow of ammunition to those of us who are legal firearms owners, with the perverse belief that it will somehow cut back on the usage of ammunition overall. Individuals will just buy it outside Connecticut and bring it back, if this is passed. The whole thrust behind this proposal is the theory of the eventual disarming of the general population. And to add insult to injury, this bill would exempt municipalities and law enforcement from this? So, what would stop a Police Officer from obtaining ammunition from work for personal use off duty? Nothing, of course. I ask that this not be supported at all. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

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