



February 28th, 2023

Dear Senate Judiciary,

I am a Rhode Island voter and representative from COYOTE RI writing to you today in strong support of <u>\$0409</u>- NO POLICE USE OF ROBOTS/DRONES THAT ARE ARMED OR LIKELY TO DAMAGE PEOPLE.

As long as we have "qualified immunity laws" it would be impossible to hold law enforcement accountable for harming someone by using a robot or drone. Perhaps we should be asking why law enforcement views the public as a threat and why have we militarized police departments? We doubt using robots and drones would improve trust between the community and law enforcement.

We urge you to vote YES on S0409 to protect civilians in our community.

Thank you for your consideration,

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