

The Honorable Todd Smola
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State House Room 124
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Representative Smola:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to **HD4420**, the new gun laws proposed in Massachusetts. As a law-abiding citizen and a firm believer in the importance of our constitutional rights, I believe that these measures not only infringe upon our Second Amendment rights but also fail to address the real issues surrounding gun violence.

Firstly, the proposed laws directly contradict our Second Amendment rights. The Constitution clearly states that “the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.” These new regulations wrongly curtail our ability to exercise this fundamental right, placing unnecessary restrictions on responsible gun owners and undermining the principles upon which our nation was built.

Furthermore, it is crucial to recognize that these new laws do little to address the root causes of gun violence. Instead of targeting law-abiding citizens, we should focus on initiatives that address mental health, improve access to education and job opportunities, and strengthen our law enforcement efforts. Penalizing responsible gun owners is an ineffective approach that does nothing to prevent criminals from accessing firearms.

Additionally, these proposed laws would create additional burdens for law-abiding citizens without yielding significant benefits in terms of public safety. The restrictions and regulations being proposed place unfair obligations on responsible gun owners, making it more difficult for them to protect themselves and their families. It is crucial that we maintain the balance between personal freedom and public safety, rather than disproportionately burdening law-abiding citizens.

In conclusion, I vehemently oppose the new gun laws proposed in Massachusetts. I urge you to reconsider these measures and instead focus on the comprehensive solutions that prioritize community safety while respecting the rights of law-abiding citizens.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I trust that you will listen to the concerns of your constituents and act in the best interest of our community. There are many other points of contention, I won’t take up your time going through them line by line, instead I would urge you to speak with Jim Wallace at GOAL (jimwallace@goal.org) about making reforms which help instead of criminalizing MA gun owners. I look forward to hearing from you and learning about your position on this vital matter.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Gun Owner’s Action League