

DID YOU KNOW THAT:

- Tens of thousands of CRIMES are PREVENTED every year by lawfully armed citizens in the U.S.?(1)
- Some of the most horrific MASS-SHOOTING events have occurred in GUN-FREE zones, where occupants were unable to defend themselves?(2)
- History shows that governments restrict firearm ownership before implementing repressive measures and committing civil rights atrocities that have killed MILLIONS of their own citizens?(3)
- The U.S. Constitution's Bill of Rights 2nd Amendment (Right to Bear Arms) prevents the U.S. Government from becoming TYRANNICAL?(4)

MASSACHUSETTS HOUSE DOCKET (HD4420) **An Act modernizing firearm laws**

- Is clearly UNCONSTITUTIONAL as it dismantles the 2nd Amendment, for example, by banning nearly all commonly owned semi-automatic firearms.
- Prevents or greatly restricts citizens from DEFENDING themselves by effectively banning concealed-carry firearms almost everywhere.
- Makes FELONS of up to 600,000 law-abiding Massachusetts citizens.
- Does nothing to insure violent criminals serve MANDATORY sentences.
- Will cause crime to INCREASE.
- Will be used as a blueprint to be implemented in EVERY state.

WRITE, CALL, AND EMAIL YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

- POLITELY, but FIRMLY tell them why they should NOT support HD4420.
- Find your representatives contact information here:
malegislature.gov/statehouse/contact
- Contact the sponsor of this bill and POLITELY tell him you are greatly disturbed and disappointed that he would put forward such an attack on firearm-owning and non-firearm-owning citizens of this Commonwealth.
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REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. CRIMES PREVENTED BY LAWFULLY ARMED CITIZENS

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- Note: The estimated number of annual Defensive Gun Use (DGU) incidents varies by orders of magnitude depending on the assumptions made and bias of the writer. A case can certainly be made that DGUs are greatly under reported as such reporting could open up the legal-firearm owner to questioning or worse by law-enforcement officials.

2. GUN-FREE ZONE SHOOTINGS

- Unfortunately, there are numerous examples of massacres in gun-free zones, especially in schools, around the world. Be careful to not be misled by “debunking” articles, using alternate definitions of what a mass-public-shooting (MPS) is, claiming that private residences are hubs for such shootings.
- Horrific examples of Mass Public Shootings include:
 - Nov. 13, 2015 Bataclan Theatre in Paris, France where 90 people were killed and hundreds wounded.
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