Notice Success Report- Halted Bill Massachusetts HD 4420 – Sweeping Gun Control Legislation

Details of Notice:

- **Notice Subject:** Massachusetts HD 4420 Sweeping Gun Control Legislation. This bill aimed to modernize firearm laws in the Commonwealth, significantly restricting Second Amendment rights. The original notice warned the Massachusetts Legislature that the right to bear arms is a fundamental right beyond government regulation.
- **Date Introduced:** July 5, 2023(NRA-ILA)
- Sent to: Massachusetts Legislature
- **Sent on:** October 9, 2023 June 19, 2024
- Number of Notices Sent: 166 individual notices
- **Instructions Given:** Halt HD 4420 due to its unconstitutional infringement on Second Amendment rights. The notice also made clear that this right is outside the scope of government power, and any violation would be considered a willful trespass against the people's fundamental rights.

Response:

- Action Taken by Recipient: The original version of HD 4420 was effectively stopped due to public opposition, including lawful notices. However, a modified version, HB 4139, was later introduced and passed under pressure from Governor Maura Healey despite warnings.
- Action Date: June 2024
- Compliance Status: Compliant (original bill killed), but later modified and passed.

Outcome:

- **Result of Action:** The original bill (HD 4420) was stopped as a result of lawful notices and public opposition. However, the modified version (HB 4139), which complied with some of the concerns raised in the notices, was passed under executive pressure. This is considered an act of maladministration.
- Impact on Operations: The legislature acted outside its enumerated powers by infringing on the right to bear arms, and all involved are potentially subject to removal for violating their oaths of office. Affidavits will be pursued to hold them accountable.

Additional Comments:

The original notice made it clear that the right to bear arms is outside the government's authority to regulate. Despite this, the Massachusetts Legislature proceeded with HB 4139, constituting a willful trespass. The passage of the bill under pressure from the Governor, despite clear warnings, demonstrates **maladministration**. Legislators knowingly acted outside the confines of their enumerated powers, and legal actions, including affidavits for removal, will be pursued.