



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
Dr. Dora B. Schriro, Commissioner

February 14, 2014

The Honorable Donald Williams, Senate President Pro Tempore
The Honorable Brendan Sharkey, Speaker of the House
The Honorable John McKinney, Senate Minority Leader
The Honorable Lawrence Cafero, House Minority Leader

Dear President Pro Tempore, Speaker of the House, Senate Minority Leader and House Minority Leader:

Gentlemen, as you may know I met with the chairs and ranking members of the Public Safety Committee on February 11, 2014, to discuss the group of applications to register assault weapons and/or large capacity magazines that were submitted to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection ("Department" or "DESPP") by January 1, 2014, but which were not received by the Department by that statutory deadline.

Please be advised that the Department's policy with regard to this group of applications is that we will accept applications received after January 1, 2014, if the Department has a reasonable belief: (1) that an applicant complied with the terms of the act by attempting to submit the application on or before January 1, 2014, and (2) that the application was not received by DESPP by that deadline due to circumstances beyond the applicant's control.

Accordingly, we will recognize the 160 Assault Weapon Certificate Applications signed and notarized on or before 1 January 2014 and postmarked by 4 January 2014. We will also accept the 398 Large Capacity Magazine Declarations signed and notarized (when warranted) on or before 1 January 2014 and postmarked by 4 January 2014.

The Department will contact persons who submitted applications and/or declarations after these dates to advise them of the four means by which the weapons and/or large capacity magazines should be disposed.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dora B. Schriro".

Dora B. Schriro
Commissioner

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