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House Republicans Respond to Preliminary Injunction Prohibiting Portions of SB 1 to Become Law

Annapolis – House Republicans today responded to the preliminary injunction prohibiting portions of Senate Bill 1 to become law. Passed during the 2023 Session of the General Assembly, Senate Bill 1 was sweeping legislation unfairly targeting law-abiding Marylanders with concealed carry permits.

The members of the House Republican Caucus fought against the passage of this measure believing the restrictive parts of the bill to be unconstitutional and a de facto ban on concealed carry in Maryland.

Senate Bill 1 is set to become law on October 1 however its constitutionality is being challenged in court. Today, the United States District Court of Maryland issued a preliminary injunction preventing the most onerous portions of the bill from becoming law.

“The Court has recognized that so many of the restrictions the far-left wing of the General Assembly tried to place on lawful, peaceful gun owners went way beyond the bounds of what is constitutionally allowed,” said House Minority Leader Jason Buckel. “During the debate on Senate Bill 1, the members of the House Republican Caucus repeatedly and exhaustively warned our Democratic colleagues that parts of this bill went too far.”

“This is a huge win for the Second Amendment and for all law-abiding firearms owners in Maryland,” said House Minority Whip Jesse Pippy. “This decision is also a vindication for the members of our Caucus who fought so hard to defeat this bill.”

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