

SENATE BILL 622

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By: **Senator Carter**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Office of the Attorney General – Crime Firearms – Study**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Office of the Attorney General to study and compile
4 information regarding certain matters that relate to certain crime firearms;
5 requiring the Department of State Police to provide certain information for the study;
6 requiring the Office of the Attorney General to report its findings to the Governor
7 and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination
8 of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to firearms.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
10 That:

11 (a) In this section, “crime firearm” means a firearm that is:

12 (1) used in the commission of a crime of violence as defined in § 5–101 of
13 the Public Safety Article; or

14 (2) recovered by law enforcement in connection with illegal firearm
15 possession, transportation, or transfer.

16 (b) The Office of the Attorney General shall:

17 (1) study information regarding crime firearms in the State, including:

18 (i) the number and types of crime firearms;

19 (ii) the sources of the crime firearms, including the manufacturer,
20 importer, dealer, and first purchaser for all recovered crime firearms; and

21 (iii) the jurisdictions where crime firearms were recovered;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 (2) study crimes committed with crime firearms by jurisdiction, including:
- 2 (i) the number of charges and convictions for:
- 3 1. crimes of violence;
- 4 2. illegal transfers;
- 5 3. illegal possession; and
- 6 4. illegal transportation; and
- 7 (ii) the number and types of criminal charges associated with a crime
- 8 firearm;
- 9 (3) compile all available information and data regarding the source of crime
- 10 firearms, including:
- 11 (i) for out-of-state crime firearms:
- 12 1. the country, state, or city of origin; and
- 13 2. the location in the State where the crime firearm was
- 14 recovered;
- 15 (ii) for in-State crime firearms:
- 16 1. the jurisdiction of origin; and
- 17 2. the location where the crime firearm was recovered;
- 18 (iii) information on the top 10 dealers of crime firearms in the State,
- 19 including:
- 20 1. names;
- 21 2. locations; and
- 22 3. the dates and outcomes of audits conducted by the
- 23 Maryland State Police of the dealers; and
- 24 (iv) information on the 10 states where the most crime firearms
- 25 recovered in the State originated, including a comparison of the other states' firearms laws
- 26 regarding:
- 27 1. licensing;

