

HOUSE No. 2307

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marjorie C. Decker

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to crime gun data reporting and analysis.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/10/2023</i>
<i>Manny Cruz</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>	<i>1/23/2023</i>
<i>Meghan Kilcoyne</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2023</i>
<i>James C. Arena-DeRosa</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/10/2023</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>3/9/2023</i>

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By Representative Decker of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2307) of Marjorie C. Decker and others relative to crime gun data reporting and analysis. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2437 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to crime gun data reporting and analysis.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 18 ³/₄ of Chapter 6A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking paragraph (10) and inserting in place thereof the
3 following paragraph:-

4 (10) to develop or solicit proposals for a university or nonprofit to develop a biennial
5 report analyzing the firearms trace data collected under section 131Q of chapter 140 of the
6 General Laws and non-identifying gun sales transaction data held by the firearms records bureau.
7 Such report shall be sent to the clerks of the house of representatives and senate, the house and
8 senate committees on ways and means and the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on
9 public safety and homeland security not later than March 1 of every even-numbered year. The
10 report shall contain, but not be limited to, the following information: (i) statistics related to

11 firearms crimes; (ii) arrests and prosecutions of firearms-related offenses, to serve as an
12 examination of the effectiveness of the commonwealth's firearms-related regulations; (iii)
13 aggregate data on the source of firearms that have been confiscated and identified as being used
14 in a crime or in an attempted or completed suicide during the report period, including aggregate
15 information on the manufacturer, state of origin and last known point of sale, transfer, loss or
16 theft of such firearms; (iv) an explanation of substantial changes in state and federal firearms-
17 related laws and firearms-related statistics in the commonwealth; (v) the effectiveness of section
18 128B of chapter 140; (vi) the effectiveness of current reporting mechanisms for lost and stolen
19 guns, including identifying the number of guns traced to crime that were determined to have
20 been lost or stolen and, of these, how many were reported lost or stolen prior to their use in the
21 commission of a crime; and (vii) firearm purchase and sales patterns as they relate to firearms
22 traced to crime, including an analysis of the number of guns traced to a crime that were
23 originally purchased from each licensed gun dealer in the commonwealth or purchased through a
24 secondary private seller; and (viii) an analysis of whether the license number used for the
25 purchase or transfer of any firearm used in a crime was associated with the purchase or transfer
26 of any other firearms, in this or any other jurisdiction, within a 12 month period prior or
27 subsequent to the sale of the recovered firearm and the total number of such firearms purchased
28 or transferred by that license holder and whether any of such firearms were also used in crime.
29 Provided, further that, all data referenced herein or relied upon in compiling the report shall
30 accompany the report in an aggregate and non-identifying format. "

31 SECTION 2. The initial report required by this act shall include an analysis and
32 compilation of all relevant data as of August 11, 2023.