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EMERGENCY BILL

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and Trueschler**

Rules suspended

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore County - Law Enforcement Officers - Regulated Firearms**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing that Baltimore County may not prohibit a certain
4 law enforcement officer employed by the county from applying for a State
5 regulated firearms dealer's license or engaging in certain activities relating to
6 the business of selling or repairing firearms; making this Act an emergency
7 measure; and generally relating to the regulation of firearms.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article - Public Safety
10 Section 5-101(a), (d), and (e) and 5-104
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2003 Volume and 2004 Supplement)

13 BY adding to
14 Article - Public Safety
15 Section 5-106.1
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2003 Volume and 2004 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article - Public Safety**

21 5-101.

22 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

23 (d) "Dealer" means a person who is engaged in the business of:

24 (1) selling, renting, or transferring firearms at wholesale or retail; or

1 (2) repairing firearms.

2 (e) "Dealer's license" means a State regulated firearms dealer's license.

3 5-104.

4 This subtitle supersedes any restriction that a local jurisdiction in the State
5 imposes on a sale of a regulated firearm, and the State preempts the right of any local
6 jurisdiction to regulate the sale of a regulated firearm.

7 5-106.1.

8 BALTIMORE COUNTY MAY NOT PROHIBIT A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
9 EMPLOYED BY THE COUNTY FROM:

10 (1) APPLYING FOR A DEALER'S LICENSE; OR

11 (2) BEING ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF SELLING, RENTING,
12 TRANSFERRING FIREARMS AT WHOLESALE OR RETAIL, OR REPAIRING FIREARMS.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
14 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,
15 has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members
16 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from
17 the date it is enacted.