HOUSE BILL 115

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By: **Delegate Conaway**
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A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Firearms and Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) Devices

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Firearms and Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) Devices; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain issues relating to firearms and GPS devices; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Firearms and Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) Devices.

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

(a) There is a Task Force to Study Firearms and Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) Devices.

(b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

(1) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(3) the Secretary of State Police, or the Secretary's designee;

(4) the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee;

EXPLANATION: **CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.**
[Brackets**]** indicate matter deleted from existing law.

(5) the Public Defender of Maryland, or the Public Defender's designee; and

(6) the following individuals, appointed by the Governor:

(i) one representative of the Maryland Fraternal Order of Police;

(ii) one representative of the Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Policy and Research;

(iii) one representative of Maryland Shall Issue, Inc.;

(iv) one representative of Associated Gun Clubs of Baltimore, Inc.;

(v) one representative of the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association;

(vi) one representative of the Maryland Sheriffs' Association; and

(vii) one representative of the Maryland State's Attorneys' Association.

(c) The Governor shall designate the chair of the Task Force.

(d) The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention shall provide staff for the Task Force.

(e) A member of the Task Force:

(1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

(2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

(f) The Task Force shall:

(1) study the feasibility, utility, benefits, and costs of using GPS technology to track and monitor firearms sold and possessed in the State; and

(2) make recommendations regarding legislative options.

(g) On or before December 31, 2014, the Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2014. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 1 month and, at the end of June 30, 2015, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.