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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Disclosure of Public Records - Handgun Permits**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of the State Police to deny inspection of any
4 public record maintained by the Department of State Police that relates to a certain
5 handgun permit; authorizing the Secretary to allow disclosure of a certain public
6 record under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the disclosure of
7 certain public records relating to handgun permits.

8 BY adding to

9 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
10 Section 36E(m)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

15 **Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments**

16 36E.

17 (M) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE
18 SECRETARY OF THE STATE POLICE SHALL DENY INSPECTION OF ANY RECORD
19 MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE POLICE THAT RELATES TO A
20 PERMIT THE DEPARTMENT HAS ISSUED TO A PERSON TO WEAR, CARRY, OR
21 TRANSPORT A HANDGUN.

22 (2) THE SECRETARY MAY ALLOW INSPECTION OF A RECORD SPECIFIED
23 IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IF THE SECRETARY DETERMINES THAT AN
24 EMERGENCY SITUATION EXISTS OR THAT INSPECTION IS NECESSARY TO SERVE A
25 COMPELLING PUBLIC PURPOSE.

26 (3) THE SECRETARY SHALL ALLOW INSPECTION OF A RECORD
27 SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE
28 SUBJECT OF THE RECORD.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
30 October 1, 1996.

