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Maryland General Assembly  
2008 Session

**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

House Bill 1565

(Delegate Rosenberg)

Judiciary

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**Handgun Roster Board - Membership**

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This bill alters membership provisions for the Handgun Roster Board by providing that one member must be a representative of an organization that advocates against handgun violence, rather than a representative of the Marylanders Against Handgun Abuse.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill's changes could be accommodated with the existing budgeted resources of the Maryland State Police.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** The Handgun Roster Board is an 11-member entity within the Department of State Police. The Secretary of State Police serves as chairman. The board is required to review the status of personalized handgun technology and report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly on an annual basis.

The Maryland Committee for Handgun Control, Inc. was founded in 1986 in response to the 1976 shooting death of Baltimore City Councilman Dominic Leone at City Hall. Soon after its founding, the committee's board of directors changed the group's name to Marylanders Against Handgun Abuse. It is now known as CeaseFire Maryland.

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## **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** SB 914 (Senator Muse) – Judicial Proceedings.

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