

**DATE:** January 22, 2020  
**BILL NO.:** House Bill 35  
**COMMITTEE:** Judiciary  
**TITLE:** *Public Safety – Firearm Telematics – Study*  
**POSITION:** Oppose

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HB 35 requires “the Department of State Police to study and make recommendations about firearm telematics.” In essence, HB 35 requires that the Maryland State Police find a way to track firearms in real time. This proposal represents a clear threat to the Fourth Amendment’s protection of “the right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches.” I request an “unfavorable” vote on HB 35.