

ALLEGANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

695 Kelly Blvd., Cumberland, Maryland 21502





First I apologize but due to a prior engagement, I am unable to be present today to testify before the committee. Please accept this letter as a request for your support of HB1288 - Criminal Procedure - Forfeiture of Firearms - Sale to Dealer.

Delegates Buckel, Beitzel and McKays' legislation is aimed at assisting law enforcement in Western Maryland by adding an additional option when dealing with the disposition of seized weapons. This bill allows for the sale of seized weapons, at the discretion of the agency, back to a Federal Firearms License Dealer (FFL) only.

Money obtained through the sale then could be utilized to purchase other needed equipment for that agency. Most small agencies, such as the Allegany County Sheriff's Office operates on a lean budget. Any additional funding is very beneficial.

By allowing agencies this additional option, the purchasing FFL Dealer is still required to follow all State and Federal laws pertaining to the sale to any individuals.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

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Senator Edwards' legislation is aimed at assisting law enforcement in Western Maryland by adding an additional option when dealing with the disposition of seized weapons. This bill allows for the sale of seized weapons, at the discretion of the agency, back to a Federal Firearms License Dealer (FFL) only.

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