SB624/HB638 - Untraceable and Undetectable Firearms

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Position: UNFAVORABLE (OPPOSE)

SB624 (HB638) is an overly broad, largely redundant and impractical bill that would do nothing to address violent crime, thereby only placing undo burdens on the MD State Police and law-abiding citizen gun owners.

- 1) SB624, a ban on "undetectable firearms," is redundant of Federal law and unnecessary.
- 2) The ban on covert firearms penalizes possession permitted by Federal law.
- 3) SB624 would not prevent or deter criminals from acquiring guns, but would penalizing law-abiding gun owners
- 4) SB624 is overbroad and imposes impractical requirements
- 5) The bill imposes heavy costs on the MD State Police to conduct truncated background checks & issue Handgun Qualification Licenses