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HOUSE BILL 0175

Public Safety – Ammunition – Sales and Transfers

- **OPPOSED** -

Sirs -

Again, I am writing to the Maryland General Assembly in opposition to proposed legislation. HB-175 is obviously aimed at providing the State with a tool to perform speculative data-mining. This is absurd.

Were my wife to purchase a box of 22LR ammunition for our son's Boy Scout firearms training session (they always accept ammunition donations,) she would be subjected to a background check and the specified records keeping. No doubt, your electronic data-mining efforts would identify that she does not own any registered firearms in the State of Maryland. Are you planning to use this as prima facie evidence to procure a search warrant for our home? or as the basis for a Red Flag action "out of an abundance of caution?"

And since you provided this nifty exemption:

5-702.

THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT APPLY TO THE SALE OR TRANSFER OF
AMMUNITION BY AN AMMUNITION VENDOR TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING :
(5) A GUNSMITH ;

I predict you will create an amazing number of gunsmiths in the State. "I am a gunsmith." Should you challenge my assertion of being a gunsmith, the burden of proof will be on you. Good luck with that.

I strongly urge an **unfavorable report**.

Regards,



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