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HB1291

Public Safety - Untraceable Firearms

Unfavorable

This bill will not prevent gun-violence, similar to Bill HB0638. The gun-related crimes are not invoked using firearms made by gunsmiths for customers, rather firearms obtained illegally, floating around between gun-crime committing citizens.

This induces a burden of only law-abiding citizens, who already have to go through various background checks and wait periods before obtaining various firearms. Those with the skill, knowledge, and tools to manufacture firearms are not the ones creating crimes.

Forcing law-abiding citizens of Maryland to rid themselves of their firearms will not prevent gun-violence. Who, but law-abiding citizens, will turn their weapons in? Certainly not criminals.