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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND
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Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 667

Baltimore Police Department - Firearm Destruction, Seizure, and Recovery - Reporting Requirement

Dear Chairman Smith and Members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee:

I write to urge you to **support** Senate Bill 667. Requiring the Baltimore Police Department to report information on firearms and their correlated status with the Department is a crucial step in establishing transparency and notice amongst related agencies and legislative bodies.

Under Senate Bill 667, beginning March 1, 2023—on or before March 1 of each year—the Baltimore Police Department shall report information regarding firearms destroyed, seized, or recovered by the Department to the Baltimore City Delegation within Maryland's General Assembly. This mandate is in accordance with § 2-1257 OF19 (The State Government Article). This requirement imposes a duty which impacts grant fund allocation—in that, should the Baltimore Police Department fail to submit the requisite report as proscribed, the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services may not make any grant funds available to the Baltimore Police Department.

If enacted, Senate Bill 667 shall take effect October 1, 2022. It shall remain effective for a period of 5 years. At the end of September 30, 2027, it shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect, with no further action required by the General Assembly.

I respectfully request a favorable report of Senate Bill 667.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cory V. McCray".

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