SENATE No. 1492

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia Stone Creem

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to crime gun data reporting and analysis.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Cynthia Stone Creem	Norfolk and Middlesex	
Michael J. Barrett	Third Middlesex	1/31/2023
Patrick M. O'Connor	First Plymouth and Norfolk	3/9/2023
Joanne M. Comerford	Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester	3/27/2023
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex and Suffolk	5/22/2023
Lydia Edwards	Third Suffolk	6/9/2023

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1492) of Cynthia Stone Creem, Michael J. Barrett and Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to crime gun data reporting and analysis. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 1562 OF 2021-2022.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act relative to crime gun data reporting and analysis.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 18 3/4 of Chapter 6A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking paragraph (10) and inserting in place thereof the
- 3 following paragraph:-
- 4 (10) to develop or solicit proposals for a university or nonprofit to develop a biennial
- 5 report analyzing the firearms trace data collected under section 131Q of chapter 140 of the
- 6 General Laws and non-identifying gun sales transaction data held by the firearms records bureau.
- 7 Such report shall be sent to the clerks of the house of representatives and senate, the house and
- 8 senate committees on ways and means and the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on
- 9 public safety and homeland security not later than March 1 of every even-numbered year. The
- 10 report shall contain, but not be limited to, the following information: (i) statistics related to

firearms crimes; (ii) arrests and prosecutions of firearms-related offenses, to serve as an examination of the effectiveness of the commonwealth's firearms-related regulations; (iii) aggregate data on the source of firearms that have been confiscated and identified as being used in a crime or in an attempted or completed suicide during the report period, including aggregate information on the manufacturer, state of origin and last known point of sale, transfer, loss or theft of such firearms; (iv) an explanation of substantial changes in state and federal firearmsrelated laws and firearms-related statistics in the commonwealth; (v) the effectiveness of section 128B of chapter 140; (vi) the effectiveness of current reporting mechanisms for lost and stolen guns, including identifying the number of guns traced to crime that were determined to have been lost or stolen and, of these, how many were reported lost or stolen prior to their use in the commission of a crime; and (vii) firearm purchase and sales patterns as they relate to firearms traced to crime, including an analysis of the number of guns traced to a crime that were originally purchased from each licensed gun dealer in the commonwealth or purchased through a secondary private seller; and (viii) an analysis of whether the license number used for the purchase or transfer of any firearm used in a crime was associated with the purchase or transfer of any other firearms, in this or any other jurisdiction, within a 12 month period prior or subsequent to the sale of the recovered firearm and the total number of such firearms purchased or transferred by that license holder and whether any of such firearms were also used in crime. Provided, further that, all data referenced herein or relied upon in compiling the report shall accompany the report in an aggregate and non-identifying format. "

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SECTION 2. The initial report required by this act shall include an analysis and compilation of all relevant data as of August 11, 2014.