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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS

Introduced By: Senators Nesselbush, Crowley, Quezada, Lawson, and Cano

Date Introduced: March 14, 2019

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 11-47 of the General Laws entitled "Weapons" is hereby amended
2 by adding thereto the following section:

3 **11-47-41.1. Firearm dealers – Monthly report to superintendent.**

4 (a) Every firearm dealer and every person, business or entity licensed pursuant to § 11-
5 47-39 shall on or before July 10, 2019, and every month thereafter on or before the tenth day,
6 submit in writing or electronically a report to the superintendent of the state police providing
7 information regarding all firearms sold, transferred or delivered in the previous month.

8 (b) The superintendent of the state police shall establish by rules and regulations the
9 content, format, and manner of transmission of the report which shall for each firearm at a
10 minimum include:

11 (1) Name of the firearm manufacturer;

12 (2) Identity of importer for foreign manufactured firearms;

13 (3) The model;

14 (4) Type of action;

15 (5) Caliber or gauge; and

16 (6) Serial number.

17 (c) The report shall include, all firearm transfers recorded in the dealer's register pursuant
18 to § 11-47-40 and transfers recorded in the dealer's records to include private party transfers.

19 (d) No report shall contain the name, address or identifying information of the purchaser

1 [or transferee.](#)

2 [\(e\) A violation of this section shall be punishable pursuant to § 11-47-26.](#)

3 SECTION 2. Section 11-47-41 of the General Laws in Chapter 11-47 entitled "Weapons"
4 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 **11-47-41. Government firearm registration prohibited.**

6 [Except for the reports submitted pursuant to § 11-47-41.1, no](#) ~~No~~ government agency of
7 this state or its political subdivisions shall keep or cause to be kept any list or register of privately
8 owned firearms or any list or register of the owners of those firearms; provided, that the
9 provisions of this section shall not apply to firearms which have been used in committing any
10 crime of violence, nor to any person who has been convicted of a crime of violence.

11 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would provide that gun dealers on a monthly basis shall report a summary of all
2 gun sales and transfers to the Rhode Island state police.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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