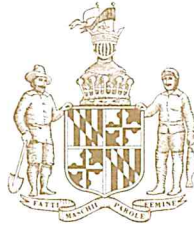


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Delegate Luke Clippinger
Chair, House Judiciary Committee
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6 Bladen Street
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Dear Chair Clippinger:

Luke

Thank you for your consideration of the Firearm Dealers Safety Act (HB 1257). As a reminder, the legislation will require licensed Maryland firearms dealers to employ best practices at their stores. These practices include background checks for employees, obtaining liability insurance, proper securing of firearms in the store, and use of surveillance and alarm systems.

Many of these practices are already recommended by the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) as part of their best practices for firearm dealers. However, the ATF does not have the authority or funding to enforce these practices at Maryland's licensed firearm dealers. The Firearm Dealers Safety Act puts into practice many of these recommendations to deter loss and theft of firearms.

We are working on amendments to address some of the legitimate issues raised with the legislation as introduced and I look forward to working with the Committee on those amendments if there is an interest in moving the bill forward.

I urge you to support the Firearm Dealers Safety Act to institute best practices at Maryland's licensed firearm dealers in order to protect our state from further gun violence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marc Korman".

Marc Korman

*Sorry to extend
your evening.*