

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2005 Relating to firearms

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Public Safety Subcommittee
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HB 2005 creates crimes relating to undetectable firearms, firearms that do not have a serial number, or unfinished frames or receivers. The measure increases the age limit for possession of certain types of firearms from 18 to 21; and authorizes governing bodies to adopt policies or regulations restricting possession of firearms in their public buildings or adjacent grounds.

The Subcommittee adopted two amendments that are combined into the -A11. The first is a technical change to align the delaying of enforcement prohibitions until September 1, 2024. The second provides \$356,816 General Fund for two positions in the Department of State Police's Firearms Instant Check System unit for the expected increased workload for background checks related to purchases of unfinished frames or receivers from registered gun dealers.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends HB 2005 be amended by the –A11 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.