

# HOUSE BILL 773

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By: **Delegate Queen**

Introduced and read first time: January 29, 2021

Assigned to: Judiciary

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Firearm Telematics – Study**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Handgun Roster Board under the Department of State  
4 Police to study and make recommendations about firearm telematics; requiring the  
5 Handgun Roster Board to take certain actions in conducting the study and making  
6 recommendations; requiring the Handgun Roster Board to report its findings and  
7 recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain  
8 date; defining a certain term; and generally relating to firearm telematics.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
10 That:

11 (a) In this section, “firearm telematics” means an electronic sensor or equipment  
12 installed on a firearm designed to track the location of the firearm if it becomes lost or  
13 stolen.

14 (b) The Handgun Roster Board under the Department of State Police shall study  
15 and make recommendations about firearm telematics.

16 (c) In conducting the study and making recommendations, the Handgun Roster  
17 Board shall:

18 (1) analyze the current research and development of firearm telematics;

19 (2) evaluate the technical feasibility of incorporating firearm telematics  
20 with previously manufactured firearms;

21 (3) determine types of firearms to which firearm telematics may be applied  
22 or attached;

23 (4) determine whether firearm telematics are currently available for retail

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 sale purposes, and, if not, when firearm telematics are likely to become available for retail  
2 sale purposes;

3 (5) provide recommendations for the most feasible methods to utilize  
4 firearm telematics to recover lost or stolen firearms; and

5 (6) provide recommendations for the best use of firearm telematics for  
6 various categories of owners and users of firearms, including licensed firearms dealers, law  
7 enforcement personnel and agencies, and other licensed firearms owners.

8 (d) On or before July 1, 2022, the Handgun Roster Board shall report its findings  
9 and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State  
10 Government Article, the General Assembly.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
12 October 1, 2021.