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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF  
CRIMINALS

Introduced By: Senators Tikoian, Burke, Raptakis, Murray, Lauria, and McKenney

Date Introduced: March 07, 2023

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 12-1 of the General Laws entitled "Identification and Apprehension  
2 of Criminals" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **12-1-10.2. Firearm examination.**

4 In the case of every offense in which a firearm is seized, the arresting/investigating police  
5 department shall submit the firearm to the state crime laboratory for testing pursuant to § 12-1.2-3  
6 and also shall submit any information relative to said firearm, including, but not limited to, its  
7 make, model, serial number, and ballistics report from the state crime laboratory, to the federal  
8 bureau of alcohol, tobacco and firearms for tracing.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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1           This act would require law enforcement to submit any firearm seized in any investigation  
2 to the state crime laboratory and the bureau of alcohol, tobacco and firearms (BATF) for testing  
3 and tracing.

4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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