



COMMONWEALTH OF CHESAPEAKE

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER TWENTY FIVE (Police Gun Use Commission)

Importance of the Commission and background of the Commission

The Commonwealth recently passed a resolution condemning the Governor of the Atlantic Commonwealth for taking measures to ban the gun use of police. I as Governor have outlined my opposition, just as the assembly has to such a measure. I do believe that a greater discussion needs to be had about the firearm use of the police, but I do not believe that the right approach is to outright ban the use of guns by the police force, as afterall, we are a nation of gun owners.

That is why I am establishing a Commission, headed by the Attorney General and comprised of members of the Assembly and relevant experts from both law enforcement and other legal advisors, that shall have as its task to compile a report on how, or if, the firearm usage of police officers needs to be reformed, while ensuring the safety of the officers and civilians. The Commission shall consider the following question or questions:

- 1. Should the Commonwealth reform laws concerning firearm usage of police? If so, how would such reform look like?*
- 2. How can the Commonwealth reform laws concerning firearm usage of police while ensuring both the safety of the officer while also ensuring the safety of civilians, and civilians in contact with law enforcement?*

Establishment of the Police Gun Use Policy Board

In accordance with [§ 2.2-2100](#) of the *Code of Chesapeake*, the board shall function as a policy commission and shall work to serve to advise the Governor on if, or how, police gun use should be reformed while ensuring the safety of the police and civilians.

Composition of the Police Gun Use Commission

The Police Gun Use Commission (“the Commission”) shall be chaired by the Secretary for the Treasury and Infrastructure. The membership of the Commission shall be comprised of members of the General Assembly, as well as law enforcement officials, both former and current, among relevant legal expert. The Governor may appoint additional members to the Board, if he deems it so necessary.

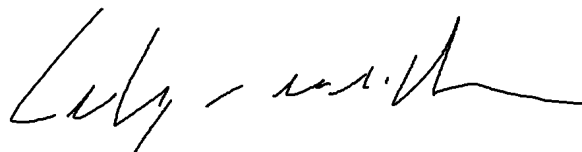
Goal of the Commission

The Goal of the Commission shall be to deliver a report within one year of enactment of the Commission. The report shall contain relevant information, among policy suggestions, if the Commission deems such policy suggestions necessary. For the purposes of this Subsection “relevant information” and “policy suggestions necessary”, are such information and policy suggestions that are included within the scope of this Executive Order, outlined in the subsection titled “Importance and Background of the Commission”, among attached questions to that subsection.

Enactment

This Executive Order shall come into force immediately, and shall remain in force for a year, until such a time when the Board compiles and prepares a report, and reports on such a report to the Assembly of the Commonwealth or unless amended by a further Executive Order.

Given under my hand under the Seal of the Commonwealth of Chesapeake, this 23rd day of June , 2019



Leafy_Emerald, Governor