

in Article 27, § 442 of the Annotated Code of Maryland that require the Department of State Police to notify firearms dealers within seven days from its receipt of a firearm application if the applicant has not been approved; (2) implementation of management procedures and policies to ensure that the appropriate investigation of firearm applicants is conducted in a timely fashion; and (3) implementation of management procedures and policies to ensure that firearms are not sold to individuals prohibited from purchasing firearms under the provisions of Article 27, § 442 of the Code.

The Department shall submit the report by June 1, 1999. The budget committees and the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee and the House Judiciary Committee shall have 45 days from the receipt of the report for review and comment.

Further provided that the Department of Legislative Services, Office of Legislative Audits shall conduct an audit of firearms applications processed by the Department of State Police and prepare a report of its findings by October 1, 1999 to determine if the Department of State Police is complying with the State's firearms application statute .....

5,910,823

## WA01.02 Field Operations Bureau

General Fund Appropriation .....

65,153,444

65,083,444

Special Fund Appropriation.....

24,556,768

24,526,768

89,710,212

89,610,212

Funds are appropriated in the Department of Transportation budget to pay for services provided by this program. Authorization is hereby granted to use these receipts as special funds for operating expenses in this program.