SENATE No. 1184

By Mr. Berry, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1184) of Frederick E. Berry and the International Brotherhood of Police Officers, by Kenneth T. Lyons, president, for legislation to prohibit the sale or resale of certain handguns. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Nine.

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OR RESALE OF CERTAIN HANDGUNS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 140 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding
- 2 thereto the following new sections: -
- 3 Section 132.
- 4 (1) The firearms identification section of the department of 5 public safety shall compile and publish no later than July 1, 1989
- 6 a handgun roster of permitted handguns that are useful for
- 7 legitimate sporting, self-protection, or law enforcement purposes.
- 8 (2) The section shall consider the following characteristics in
- 9 determining whether any handgun should be placed on the 10 handgun roster:
- 11 (1) Concealability;
- 12 (II) Ballistic Accuracy;
- 13 (III) Weight;
- 14 (IV) Quality of Materials;
- 15 (V) Quality of Manufacture;
- 16 (VI) Reliability as to safety;
- 17 (VII) Caliber;
- 18 (VIII) Detectability by the standard security equipment
- 19 commonly used at airports or courthouses and approved by the
- 20 Federal Aviation Administration for use at airports in the United
- 21 States; and
- 22 (IX) Utility for legitimate sporting activity, self-protection, or
- 23 law enforcment.

- 24 Section 133. Notwithstanding any other law or regulation to
- 25 the contrary, a person may not manufacture for distribution or
- 26 sale, or sell any handgun that is not included on the handgun roster
- 27 in the state.
- 28 Section 134. Any person who violates Section 133 of this
- 29 chapter shall be fined \$2,500 for each violation.