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H.P. 401

House of Representatives, February 14, 2023

An Act to Prohibit Government Officials from Maintaining Records Related to Firearms Owners

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative ARDELL of Monticello.
Cosponsored by Senator STEWART of Aroostook and
Representatives: BABIN of Fort Fairfield, BLIER of Buxton, BOYER of Poland,
HENDERSON of Rumford, MORRIS of Turner, PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft, WHITE of
Guilford.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2014**, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 175, §1, is amended to read:

3 **§2014. Government firearms or firearms owners registry, record or database**
4 **prohibited**

5 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a government agency of
6 this State or a political subdivision of this State may not keep or cause to be kept a
7 comprehensive registry, record or database of privately owned firearms and the owners of
8 those firearms within its jurisdiction that contains sufficient information to establish a
9 connection between any individual and any firearm, including, but not limited to,
10 information regarding the name and address of an individual and information regarding the
11 make, model, caliber or serial number of a firearm.

12 **SUMMARY**

13 This bill amends the law prohibiting a government agency or a political subdivision of
14 the State from keeping a comprehensive registry of privately owned firearms and firearms
15 owners to provide that such entities may not keep or cause to be kept a record or database
16 of privately owned firearms and the owners of those firearms within their jurisdiction that
17 contains sufficient information to establish a connection between any individual and any
18 firearm.