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Personalized Handgun Authorization Commission Public Session Meeting Minutes November 18, 2022

The November 18, 2022 meeting of the New Jersey State Personalized Handgun Authorization Commission (PHAC, or “the Commission”) was conducted electronically via Microsoft Teams. Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, notice was provided at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting. Notice was filed with the Secretary of State, faxed to approved news publications including the Star Ledger, the Times of Trenton, the Bergen Record, the Courier Post, and the Press of Atlantic City, and also posted at the Hughes Justice Complex. The meeting began at 2 pm.

1. Open Public Meetings Act Notice – read

2. Roll Call

- Commission Members Present: Kirstin Krueger, Jennifer Chuang, Timmy Oh, Lt. Col. Joseph Brennan, Robert Nixon, Nico Bocour

3. Discussion

Mr. Oh updated the Commission that an industry company is ready to launch a biometric smart gun. The Commission discussed implementing the statutory provision regarding “determin[ing] the reliability standards generally used in the industry for other commercially available handguns.” The Commission discussed certain testing practices required for non-personalized firearms by other states or by law enforcement, or otherwise used by commercial entities. The Commission also discussed how to approach “approv[ing] an independent laboratory proposed by an applicant to perform the testing.”

The Commission discussed next steps of continuing to learn about and understand testing standards used in other contexts, and continuing to discuss and work on the drafting process.

4. Public Comments

No public comment was provided.



5. Adjournment and Discussion of Next Meetings

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be called for December 16, 2022.