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Hello!

In the 2020 Regular Session, the Washington State Legislature passed Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 2467 (E2SHB 2467) to create a centralized point-of-contact firearms background check program within the Washington State Patrol (WSP). Also required in the bill was the formation of an advisory board which serves to ensure that the program is administered efficiently and effectively, and in a manner that honors individual firearms rights while preventing prohibited persons from obtaining firearms. The board held its first meeting on October 6, 2020. The bill requires the board to meet monthly until the program is operational, then quarterly thereafter.

The Board consists of the following positions with their current incumbents, all appointed by the Governor:

- The Chief of the WSP or the Chief's designee - Assistant Chief Marc Lamoreaux, Washington State Patrol
- The Executive Director of the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) or the Executive Director's designee - Steve Strachan
- One sheriff - Sheriff Tony Hawley, Okanogan County Sheriff's Office
- One police chief - Chief Keith Siebert, Quincy City Police Department
- One licensed firearms dealer [under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(a)] - Ms. Tina Browning, Farwest Sports/Sportco
- One member of the general public - Mr. Brian Moreno, Moreno & Moreno LLC

The board produces an annual report, which is attached for your review.

Thank you,

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