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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Col. W.S. Flaherty, Superintendent  
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**DATE:** November 19, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Regulations Governing the Creation of a Criminal Firearms Clearinghouse. – 19 VAC 30-110

In response to a request from the Department of State Police, I have reviewed the current regulations set forth in 19 VAC 30-110 governing the creation of a criminal firearms clearinghouse. I find these regulations to be constitutional, consistent with the statutory authority conferred by § 52-25.1 of the Code of Virginia, and in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

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