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1		AN ACT relating to the forensic processing of firearms.
2	Be i	t enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:
3		→SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 15 IS CREATED TO
4	REA	AD AS FOLLOWS:
5	<u>(1)</u>	When a law enforcement agency seizes or recovers a firearm that was unlawfully
6		possessed, used for any unlawful purpose, recovered from the scene of a crime, is
7		reasonably believed to have been used or associated with the commission of a
8		crime, or is acquired by the agency as an abandoned or discarded firearm, the
9		agency shall:
10		(a) Transmit and receive information relating to that firearm with the National
11		Crime Information Center system;
12		(b) Transmit and receive information relating to that firearm with the United
13		States Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives eTrace system; and
14		(c) Arrange for every such firearm to be test-fired as soon as practicable and
15		the results of that test-firing be submitted to the National Integrated
16		Ballistic Identification Network to determine whether the firearm is
17		associated with or related to a crime, criminal conduct, any individual
18		associated with or related to a crime or criminal conduct, or reasonably
19		believed to be associated or related to a crime or criminal conduct.
20	<u>(2)</u>	When a law enforcement agency recovers any spent shell casing at a crime scene
21		or has reason to believe that the recovered spent shell casing is related to or
22		associated with the commission of a crime or the unlawful discharge of a firearm,
23		the agency shall, as soon as practicable, submit the ballistics information to the
24		National Integrated Ballistic Identification Network.
25	(3)	Local law enforcement agencies shall develop policies and procedures, approved
26		by the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, for the recovery and forensic processing
27		of firearms and firearm-related evidence where such firearm was unlawfully

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- 3 <u>crime.</u>