



**MEMO TO:** Committee of the Whole– Public Safety

**FROM:** Captain Erik Scairpon

**DATE:** June 18, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Briefing – I-1639 Firearm Impacts

**I. PURPOSE** ☒ For Info Only ☐ Potential Agenda Item ☐ Scheduled for Council Action

**II. RECOMMENDATION**

The Redmond Police Department will provide an executive briefing to the Public Safety Committee on operational impacts from State of Washington firearm legislation going into effect July 1, 2019.

**III. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS**

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**IV. DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND**

Ballot initiative 1639 was passed into law on November 6, 2018 and goes into effect on July 1, 2019. Specific to this law is a shift in the workload for the police department regarding enhanced background checks for sales/transfers of semiautomatic assault rifles (SARS). The department is required within a timeline of ten business days to provide written notice to the firearms dealer whether the purchaser is eligible to possess a semiautomatic assault rifle and whether the application to purchase is approved. This additional workload may impact the timeliness of other work in the records unit

This executive briefing is designed to familiarize council with the operational impacts of this law and answer questions about the workload.

**V. TIME CONSTRAINTS**

Law goes into effect July 1, 2019. Briefing for information only

**VI. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

Att. A – Police Executive Briefing – 1639 Firearm Impacts  
Att. B – State Chief’s Handout – Firearms Changes