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Dear Members of the Committee:

On behalf of Everytown for Gun Safety, Moms Demand Action and Students Demand Action we write to express our strong organizational support for S.F. No. 2746, the E-Trace Bill, which mandates law enforcement agencies to trace and report recovered or confiscated firearms and ballistics information through the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives' (ATF) eTrace system and the National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN).

This legislation aligns with Everytown's mission to promote evidence-based policies that reduce gun violence and enhance public safety. By requiring law enforcement agencies to systematically trace firearms and share ballistics data, S.F. No. 2746 will:

- 1. Strengthen accountability by identifying trafficking patterns and sources of crime-related firearms.
- Improve collaboration between local, state, and federal agencies through centralized data sharing.
- Accelerate investigations by linking recovered firearms and shell casings to broader criminal networks.

The bill's provisions including mandatory eTrace registration, firearm tracing, and ballistics reporting are practical, actionable steps to address gun violence. These measures will equip law enforcement with critical tools to disrupt illegal firearm trafficking and solve crimes more efficiently. Everytown applauds the inclusion of clear definitions and timelines to ensure compliance without overburdening agencies.

We urge the committee to advance S.F. No. 2746 swiftly. This bill represents a commonsense, data-driven approach to safeguarding Minnesota communities.

Thank you for your leadership on this vital issue.

Sincerely, Everytown for Gun Safety Moms Demand Action Students Demand Action