

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

\$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of public safety for the Violence Prevention Project Research Center. The center must operate as a nonprofit, nonpartisan research institution dedicated to reducing violence through data-driven research and analysis. The center's work must include a particular emphasis on gun violence and its prevention, and its findings must be used to inform and improve policy and practice in the state.