
DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires certain information to be reported by law enforcement agencies and the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training to the La. Uniform Law Enforcement Statewide Reporting Database, and provides that certain personal information is not subject to disclosure.

Present law creates the "La. Uniform Law Enforcement Statewide Reporting Database" (database) to be administered by the La. Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Criminal Justice (commission) and authorizes the commission to appoint employees, agents, consultants, or special committees to manage the database.

Present law requires that the commission serve as the central depository for all information submitted for the database, and provides for the procedures, powers, and duties of the commission for the creation, operation, maintenance, and use or access to the database.

Present law requires the commission to prepare and distribute forms to all law enforcement agencies for reporting information regarding the name, position, certifications related to training and qualifications, and hire and separation from service dates for all law enforcement officers.

Proposed law retains present law and requires all law enforcement agencies and the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training to report all P.O.S.T. certifications and decertifications, the final disposition of all disciplinary actions that result in termination, resignations in lieu of termination, resignations pending an investigation, and final judgments in civil or criminal cases related to the course and scope of employment as a law enforcement officer to the database for inclusion.

Proposed law limits the liability of the commission, P.O.S.T. Council, a law enforcement agency, correctional agency or institution for the release or reporting of information required in proposed law.

Proposed law exempts personal information of a law enforcement officer held in the database from disclosure by public records request.

(Amends R.S. 15:1212(B)(intro. para.) and (1) and (4), 1212.1(B), and R.S. 44:3(A)(intro. para.), 4.1(B)(8); Adds R.S. 15:1212.1(C), (D), and (E) and R.S. 44:4(54))