## **EXHIBIT E**



## **Division of Children and Family Services**

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The Honorable Charlene Fite, Chair House Committee on Aging, Children, and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs Arkansas Legislative Council 315 State Capitol Building Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 The Honorable Stephanie Flowers, Chair Senate Committee on Children and Youth Arkansas Legislative Council 315 State Capitol Building Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Representative Fite and Senator Flowers:

Act 1176 of 2005 mandates an annual report that outlines all of the Garrett's Law referrals that were accepted for investigation during SFY 2017 (July 2016 to June 2017). All findings and statistics prescribed by law are included in this listing of referrals.

As a compliment to this report, the Division is submitting an 11-page summary that discusses the characteristics of the Garrett's Law referrals that were received for SFY 2017, and compares them to those of the Garrett's Law referrals that had been reported during previous years.

Forty copies of this summary, along with an electronic version, are enclosed for your convenience.

Should you have questions regarding the enclosed materials, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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cc: Cindy Gillespie, Director, Department of Human Services

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