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**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of House Bill No. 1881**

CONCERNING THE INVESTIGATION INTO A MISSING OR UNIDENTIFIED PERSON; AND  
CONCERNING THE NATIONAL MISSING AND UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS SYSTEM.

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**Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1881**

Amend House Bill No. 1881 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 27 through 31, and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) In accordance with the certification requirements of the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training, all law enforcement officers in the state shall complete training related to the investigation of unidentified and missing persons."

AND

Page 2, line 10 delete "peson" and substitute "person"

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Page 2, delete lines 14 through 17, and substitute the following:

"(b)(1) To the extent that this section is not duplicative with § 12-12-205, the actions under this section shall be undertaken by the law enforcement agency with jurisdiction in the event of a report of a missing person or unidentified person.

(2) Entry of missing person or unidentified person information into the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System does not relieve the obligations of a law enforcement agency under § 12-12-205."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 9 and 10, and substitute the following:

"samples from appropriate family members to submit to the laboratory for DNA testing and to an institution of higher education that specializes in DNA identification for a full genetic profile,"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 21 through 36



AND

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 26, and substitute the following:

"(e)(1) A law enforcement agency shall not require a delay before accepting or investigating a report of a missing person when reliable information has been provided to the law enforcement agency that the person is missing.

(2) A law enforcement agency shall not mandate the appearance of a next of kin before initiating a missing persons investigation.

(f)(1) If a law enforcement agency receives a report of a missing person from another law enforcement agency or from a medical examiner, the law enforcement agency shall maintain a record of the case file.

(2) The information contained in a report of a missing person from another law enforcement agency or from a medical examiner shall be available to a law enforcement agency attempting to identify unidentified persons.

(g)(1) A law enforcement agency shall not establish or maintain a policy that requires the observance of a waiting period before accepting and investigating a report of a missing child.

(2) Upon receipt of a report of a missing child, a law enforcement agency shall enter the child into the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System.

(h) When a person previously reported missing has been found or when an unidentified person has been identified, the reporting law enforcement agency or the Department of Arkansas State Police shall report to the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System.

(i) This section does not prohibit a law enforcement agency from maintaining case files related to missing persons or unidentified bodies."

The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_

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