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A Bill

SENATE BILL 301

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND LAWS CONCERNING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND
9 CHECKS FOR NURSING LICENSURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

12 TO AMEND LAWS CONCERNING CRIMINAL
13 BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR NURSING LICENSURE.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-87-312, concerning criminal background
20 checks for licensing of nurses, is amended to add an additional subsection to
21 read as follows:

22 (m)(1) The board may participate at the state and federal level in
23 programs that provide notification of an arrest subsequent to an initial
24 background check that is conducted through available governmental systems.

25 (2) The board may submit an applicant's fingerprints to the
26 federal Next Generation Identification system.

27 (3) The fingerprints may be searched by future submissions to
28 the Next Generation Identification system, including latent fingerprint
29 searches.

30 (4) An applicant enrolled in the Next Generation Identification
31 system is not required to re-fingerprint when a subsequent request for a
32 state or federal criminal history background check is required if:

33 (A) A legible set of the applicant's fingerprints are
34 obtained when the applicant enrolls in the Next Generation Identification
35 system; and

36 (B) The applicant is subject to the Rap Back service of



1 the Next Generation Identification system.

2 (n) The Identification Bureau of the Department of Arkansas State
3 Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation may maintain fingerprints in
4 the Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System.

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