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A Bill

SENATE BILL 301

5 By: Senator K. Hammer
6 By: Representative Boyd
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



