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SUMMARY OF SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES

Arkansas State Police can now process finger prints for background checks remotely. This change to Rule 1.20(20) was requested by them to expedite processing for permittees and improve efficiency within the State Police.

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