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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO CREATE A UNIFORM DATA COLLECTION SYSTEM TO
9 LOCATE VETERANS IN ARKANSAS TO ENSURE APPROPRIATE
10 SERVICES ARE PROVIDED FOR VETERANS AND MILITARY
11 FAMILIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 TO CREATE A UNIFORM DATA COLLECTION
15 SYSTEM TO LOCATE VETERANS IN ARKANSAS TO
16 ENSURE APPROPRIATE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED
17 FOR VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 81, Subchapter 1, is
24 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

25 20-81-113. To create a uniform data collection system.

26 (a) The Department of Veterans Affairs shall establish a uniform data
27 collection system to locate veterans and military families to determine need
28 and direct appropriate services to veterans and military families in this
29 state.

30 (b) All instrumentalities of state government shall:

31 (1) Cooperate with the Department of Veterans Affairs to
32 implement the Uniform Data Collection System;

33 (2) Supply the information requested by the department to
34 implement the system; and

35 (3) Ask each applicant for and recipient of government services
36 if her or she has ever served in the military.



1 (B) If an applicant for or a recipient of government
2 services states that they have served in the military, the instrumentality of
3 the state government shall:

4 (i) Attempt to collect all information requested by
5 the department to be collected; and

6 (ii) Provide the information obtained to the
7 department.

8 (c) The information submitted under this section shall be confidential
9 and not subject to disclosure under the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act
10 of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq.

11 (d) The department shall promulgate rules to implement this section.

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