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For An Act To Be Entitled

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

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

28 *20-81-113. To create a uniform data collection system.*

29 *(a) The Department of Veterans Affairs may establish a uniform data*
30 *collection system to locate veterans and military families to determine need*
31 *and direct appropriate services to veterans and military families in this*
32 *state.*

33 *(b) All instrumentalities of state government shall:*

34 *(1) Cooperate with the Department of Veterans Affairs to*
35 *implement the Uniform Data Collection System;*

36 *(2) Supply the information requested by the department to*



1 implement the system; and

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

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

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

9 (ii) Provide the information obtained to the
10 department.

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

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13 /s/V. Flowers
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