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A Bill

SENATE BILL 575

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RECORDS TO BE POSTED ON A WEBSITE BY THE PAROLE BOARD; TO PERMIT THE USE OF A MOBILE APPLICATION FOR POSTING INFORMATION CONCERNING PAROLE; TO CREATE THE "SAFE ARKANSAS APP"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RECORDS TO BE POSTED ON A WEBSITE BY THE PAROLE BOARD; TO PERMIT THE USE OF A MOBILE APPLICATION FOR POSTING INFORMATION CONCERNING PAROLE; AND TO CREATE THE "SAFE ARKANSAS APP".

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 16, Chapter 93, Subchapter 2, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

16-93-214. Mobile application concerning inmates and parolees – Safe Arkansas App.

(a) As used in this section, "mobile application" means a computer software program designed to run on a smartphone, computer tablet, or other mobile device.

(b)(1) To the extent permitted by federal law, the Parole Board shall administer a mobile application that shall provide the information set out in subsection (c) of this section concerning:



- (A) An inmate who is being considered for parole; or
- (B) A parolee who is on parole.

(2) The mobile application required under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall be known as the "Safe Arkansas App".

(3) To facilitate the administration of the mobile application required under subdivision (c)(1) of this section, the board may seek the assistance of the Division of Information Systems of the Department of Transformation and Shared Services or enter into a contract for technical database and data processing services.

(c)(1) The mobile application required under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall provide the following information concerning an inmate who is being considered for parole:

- (A) The name of the inmate;
- (B) The Division of Correction identification number of the inmate;
- (C) A current photograph of the inmate;
- (D) The date the inmate is eligible for parole;
- (E) The offense, sentence, date of sentencing, and sentence length for any conviction for which the inmate is incarcerated; and
- (F) Any other relevant public information about the inmate the board deems necessary.

(2) The mobile application required under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall provide the following information concerning a parolee who is released on parole:

- (A) The name of the parolee;
- (B) The Division of Correction identification number of the parolee;
- (C) A current photograph of the parolee;
- (D) The offense, sentence, date of sentencing, and sentence length for any conviction for which the parolee was incarcerated;
- (E) The date the parolee was released on parole;
- (F) The time served by the parolee before parole was granted;
- (G) The approximate percentage of the sentence served by the inmate or parolee;
- (H) If a parolee is charged with a subsequent charge after

being released on parole:

(i) Any subsequent charge against the parolee;

(ii) The date of the subsequent charge against the parolee; and

(iii) Relevant details of any subsequent charge against the parolee; and

(I) Any other relevant public information about the parolee the board deems necessary.

(d) The information required to be posted on the board's mobile application under subsection (c) of this section:

(1) Shall be consistently updated as required to be the most current information available to the board; and

(2) May be removed when parole has been completed, if an inmate was released on parole.

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