Law Enforcement Suicide Data Collection Act

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AN ACT To require the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to provide information on suicide rates in law enforcement, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. [34 U.S.C. 10101 note] SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Law Enforcement Suicide Data Collection Act".

SEC. 2. [34 U.S.C. 50701] INFORMATION ON SUICIDE IN LAW ENFORCE-MENT.

- (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General, acting through the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, shall establish, for the purpose of preventing future law enforcement suicides and promoting understanding of suicide in law enforcement, the Law Enforcement Officers Suicide Data Collection Program, under which law enforcement agencies may submit to the Director information on suicides and attempted suicides within such law enforcement agencies, including information on—
 - (1) the circumstances and events that occurred before each suicide or attempted suicide;
 - (2) the general location of each suicide or attempted suicide;
 - (3) the demographic information of each law enforcement officer who commits or attempts suicide;
 - (4) the occupational category, including criminal investigator, corrections officer, line of duty officer, 911 dispatch operator, of each law enforcement officer who commits or attempts suicide; and
- (5) the method used in each suicide or attempted suicide.
 (b) POLICIES.—The Federal Bureau of Investigation shall work with the Confidentiality and Data Access Committee of the Federal

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Committee on Statistical Methodology to develop publication policies to manage the risk of identity disclosure based upon the best

practices identified by other Federal statistical programs.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Attorney General, acting through the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, shall submit to Congress and publish on the website of the Federal Bureau of Investigation a report containing the information submitted to the Director pursuant to subsection (a).

(d) CONFIDENTIALITY.—The report described under subsection (c) may not include any personally identifiable information of a law

enforcement officer who commits or attempts suicide.

(e) Definitions.—In this section—
(1) the term "law enforcement agency" means a Federal, State, Tribal, or local agency engaged in the prevention, detection, or investigation, prosecution, or adjudication of any violation of the criminal laws of the United States, a State, Tribal,

or a political subdivision of a State;

- (2) the term "law enforcement officer" means any current or former officer (including a correctional officer), agent, or employee of the United States, a State, Indian Tribe, or a political subdivision of a State authorized by law to engage in or supervise the prevention, detection, investigation, or prosecution of any violation of the criminal laws of the United States, a State, Indian Tribe, or a political subdivision of a State; and
- (3) the term "State" means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, and any commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States.