



## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2007 and 2008

HB1369

Introduced 2/21/2007, by Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2640/10

Amends the Statewide Organized Gang Database Act. Requires the Department of State Police to develop a standardized, state-wide gang reporting system. Provides that the system must record gang members and gang activity and facilitate the arrest and prosecution of gang members.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Statewide Organized Gang Database Act is  
5 amended by changing Section 10 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2640/10)

7 Sec. 10. Duties of the Department. The Department may:

8 (a) provide a uniform reporting format for the entry of  
9 pertinent information regarding the report of an arrested  
10 organized gang member or organized gang affiliate into SWORD;

11 (b) notify all law enforcement agencies that reports of  
12 arrested organized gang members or organized gang affiliates  
13 shall be entered into the database as soon as the minimum level  
14 of data specified by the Department is available to the  
15 reporting agency, and that no waiting period for the entry of  
16 that data exists;

17 (c) develop and implement a policy for notifying law  
18 enforcement agencies of the emergence of new organized gangs,  
19 or the change of a name or other identifying sign by an  
20 existing organized gang;

21 (d) compile and retain information regarding organized  
22 gangs and their members and affiliates, in a manner that allows  
23 the information to be used by law enforcement and other

1 agencies, deemed appropriate by the Director, for  
2 investigative purposes;

3 (e) compile and maintain a historic data repository  
4 relating to organized gangs and their members and affiliates in  
5 order to develop and improve techniques utilized by law  
6 enforcement agencies and prosecutors in the investigation,  
7 apprehension, and prosecution of members and affiliates of  
8 organized gangs;

9 (f) create a quality control program regarding  
10 confirmation of organized gang membership and organized gang  
11 affiliation data, timeliness and accuracy of information  
12 entered into SWORD, and performance audits of all entering  
13 agencies;

14 (g) locate all law enforcement agencies that could, in the  
15 opinion of the Director, benefit from access to SWORD, and  
16 notify them of its existence; ~~and~~

17 (h) cooperate with all law enforcement agencies wishing to  
18 gain access to the SWORD system, and facilitate their entry  
19 into the system and their continued maintenance of access to  
20 it; ~~and-~~

21 (i) develop a standardized, state-wide gang reporting  
22 system that records gang members and gang activity and  
23 facilitates the arrest and prosecution of gang members.

24 (Source: P.A. 87-932.)