

**CHAPTER 507—LAW ENFORCEMENT SUICIDE
DATA COLLECTION**

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(a) Establishment

Not later than 1 year after June 16, 2020, 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 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 June 16, 2020, 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.

(Pub. L. 116-143, § 2, June 16, 2020, 134 Stat. 644.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

SHORT TITLE

For short title of Pub. L. 116-143, which is classified to this chapter, as the “Law Enforcement Suicide Data Collection Act”, see section 1 of Pub. L. 116-143, set out as a Short Title of 2020 Amendment note under section 10101 of this title.

CHAPTER 509—CONFIDENTIALITY OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEER SUPPORT COUNSELING

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(a) Definitions

In this section:

(1) Law enforcement agency

The term “law enforcement agency” means a Federal agency that employs a law enforcement officer.

(2) Law enforcement officer

The term “law enforcement officer” has the meaning given the term “Federal law enforcement officer” in section 115 of title 18.

(3) Peer support communication

The term “peer support communication” includes—

- (A) an oral or written communication made in the course of a peer support counseling session;
- (B) a note or report arising out of a peer support counseling session;
- (C) a record of a peer support counseling session; or
- (D) with respect to a communication made by a peer support participant in the course of a peer support counseling session, another communication, regarding the first communication, that is made between a peer support specialist and—
 - (i) another peer support specialist;
 - (ii) a staff member of a peer support counseling program; or
 - (iii) a supervisor of the peer support specialist.

(4) Peer support counseling program

The term “peer support counseling program” means a program provided by a law enforcement agency that provides counseling services from a peer support specialist to a law enforcement officer of the agency.