

AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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

Section 5. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by changing Section 5-4-3b as follows:

(730 ILCS 5/5-4-3b)

Sec. 5-4-3b. Electronic Laboratory Information Management System.

(a) The Illinois State Police shall obtain, implement, and maintain an Electronic Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) to efficiently and effectively track all evidence submitted for forensic testing. At a minimum, the LIMS shall record:

(1) the criminal offense or suspected criminal offense for which the evidence is being submitted;

(2) the law enforcement agency submitting the evidence;

(3) the name of the victim;

(4) the law enforcement agency case number;

(5) the Illinois State Police Laboratory case number;

(6) the date the evidence was received by the Illinois State Police Laboratory;

(7) if the Illinois State Police Laboratory sent the

evidence for analysis to another designated laboratory, the name of the laboratory and the date the evidence was sent to that laboratory; and

(8) the date and description of any results or information regarding the analysis sent to the submitting law enforcement agency by the Illinois State Police Laboratory or any other designated laboratory.

The LIMS shall also link multiple forensic evidence submissions pertaining to a single criminal investigation such that evidence submitted to confirm a previously reported Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) hit in a State or federal database can be linked to the initial evidence submission. The LIMS shall be such that the system provides ease of interoperability with law enforcement agencies for evidence submission and reporting, as well as supports expansion capabilities for future internal networking and laboratory operations.

(b) The Illinois State Police, in consultation with and subject to the approval of the Chief Procurement Officer, may procure a single contract or multiple contracts to implement the provisions of this Section. A contract or contracts under this subsection are not subject to the provisions of the Illinois Procurement Code, except for Sections 20-60, 20-65, 20-70, and 20-160 and Article 50 of that Code, provided that the Chief Procurement Officer may, in writing with justification, waive any certification required under Article

50 of the Illinois Procurement Code. This exemption is inoperative 2 years from January 1, 2016 (the effective date of Public Act 99-352).

(c) If a consistent DNA profile has been identified by comparing evidence with a known standard from a suspect or with DNA profiles in the CODIS database, the Illinois State Police shall utilize the Electronic Laboratory Information Management System to notify the investigating law enforcement agency of the results in writing, and the Illinois State Police shall provide an automatic courtesy copy of the written notification to the appropriate State's Attorney's Office for tracking and further action, as necessary.

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