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Dear Member of the Texas Legislature:

The Texas Department of Public Safety is pleased to report Texas' progress toward statewide implementation of the National Incident Based Reporting (NIBRS) methodology for the Texas Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 411.054, not later than January 1, 2017, the Department shall submit a report to the legislature that identifies the number of local law enforcement agencies that have implemented an incident-based reporting system that meets the reporting requirements of the NIBRS UCR Program.

The current list of Incident Based Reporting Agencies can be found at <http://www.dps.texas.gov/ucr/TIBRAgencies.htm>.

## Accomplishments:

- As of 2016, a total of 1, 068 agencies were reporting Summary (SRS) and Incident Based (IBR) data to the Department's UCR Bureau which accounts for 99.8% of the state's population.
- Prior to HB11 becoming law, there were a total of 75 law enforcement agencies in Texas submitting incident-based data to the state's UCR Program (13.3% of total Texas population). Since then, the number of NIBRS reporting agencies has increased to 97 agencies with 14.4% of the population covered.
- As of the date of this report, eighteen (18) agencies were at various stages of testing their NIBRS implementation with the Department.
- Five (5) agencies have completed their testing and will begin submitting NIBRS data in January 2017.
- The Department has worked with the Office of the Governor to award and disperse grant money allocated by the Legislature to assist agencies in their transition from SRS to NIBRS. An initial solicitation resulted in awarding \$1,901,064.53 to a total of ninety (90) agencies. A second solicitation is currently active and will close on January 15, 2017.