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<p><i>Subject:</i> New Federal Rap Back Service Available</p>	<p><i>No.</i> 25-13-CJIS</p> <p><i>Date:</i> 12-19-2025</p>	<p><i>Contact for information:</i> Authorization & Certification Program at TASS@doj.ca.gov</p>

TO: ALL APPLICANT AGENCIES

All applicant agencies may now subscribe to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI's) Next Generation Identification (NGI) Noncriminal Justice Rap Back Service (Federal Rap Back Service). This service provides subsequent out-of-state arrest and disposition notifications to assist agencies in fulfilling employment, licensing, or certification responsibilities. This Information Bulletin (IB) details the requirements for agencies to subscribe to the service, the application process, and the documents and training materials available for enrollment.

Background

Historically, applicant agencies have been limited to a one-time federal level background check response based on an individual's out-of-state criminal history at the time of their fingerprint submission. In 2023, the Legislature amended California Penal Code section 11105.2 to authorize the California Department of Justice (DOJ) to send subsequent federal arrest and disposition information to any agency authorized by state or federal law to receive state or federal summary criminal history information, and authorize the FBI to search applicant fingerprints against latent print files.

The Federal Rap Back Service

To subscribe to the Federal Rap Back Service, an agency must (1) be authorized by federal law to receive federal criminal history (see section below) and (2) enroll one or more of their available applicant types in the service (e.g., Employees or Volunteers). After agencies enroll an applicant type, their newly fingerprinted applicants for that applicant type will be subscribed to the Federal Rap Back Service.

- *Newly Fingerprinted Applicants:* After an agency subscribes to the Federal Rap Back Service, their newly fingerprinted applicants' fingerprints will be used to search the FBI's records and retained by the FBI for future searches in the FBI's NGI System. As a result, the agency will receive subsequent federal arrest and disposition notifications for any additional criminal events reported to the FBI¹ related to the applicant.
- *Existing Fingerprinted Applicants:* At this time, agencies will *not* receive subsequent federal notifications for their existing applicants fingerprinted prior to the agencies' enrollment in the Federal Rap Back Service, unless the agencies require their applicants to resubmit their fingerprints. DOJ will make a future announcement regarding Federal Rap Back Service and previously printed applicants.

Requirements to Participate

¹ Please note that currently 26 states do not forward dispositions to the FBI. As a result, agencies will only receive subsequent *arrest* notifications from these states and not any disposition information. For more information, [please review the information regarding the FBI's National Fingerprint File Program](#).

(1) Statutory Authority

To be eligible to apply to participate in the Federal Rap Back Service, an agency must have express statutory authority to submit fingerprint-based requests for federal-level criminal offender record information (CORI).² As part of the application process, the FBI will review all statutory authority, including previously approved statutory language, to ensure the authority adheres to the following criteria:

- Requires or authorizes the fingerprinting of applicants
- Expressly or by implication authorizes the use of FBI records for the screening of applicants
- Identifies a specific category of applicants
- Is not against public policy
- Does not authorize the receipt of federal CORI by a private entity

In either the absence of statutory authority or statutory authority that no longer meets the FBI's above requirements, an agency must work with its legislative office, legal counsel, or equivalent representative, to pursue the necessary legislative changes. Please contact ORIQuestions@doj.ca.gov if you have questions regarding your agency's statutory authority.

(2) No Longer Interested and Agency Reconciliation

Next, before being allowed to subscribe to the Federal Rap Back Service, agencies must submit No Longer Interested (NLI) requests and reconcile active applicants as follows:

- *NLI*: Under Penal Code section 11105.2, an agency must notify DOJ and submit a No Longer Interested (NLI) request in the following circumstances:
 - An applicant's employment is terminated
 - An applicant's license or certificate is revoked
 - An applicant may no longer renew or reinstate a license or certificate
 - An applicant is not chosen for employment or denied licensing, certification, or approval

To comply with Penal Code section 11105.2, an agency must submit an NLI request in the Applicant Agency Justice Connection (AAJC) Portal within five days of any of these events.

- *Reconciliation*: To reconcile active applicants, an agency must review a list of their applicants on the Active Applicants page in the AAJC Portal and verify that a relationship exists with each applicant; if not, the agency must submit the NLI request. An agency's submission of an NLI request for an applicant will terminate state or federal criminal history information subsequent notifications related to that applicant.

In addition to regularly reconciling its active applicants, an agency must renew an applicant's subscription to the Federal Rap Back Service through the AAJC Portal every five years. Agencies will be notified of expiring subscriptions at least two months in advance of the expiration, and given an opportunity to renew subscriptions through a simple digital process.

Subscription Process

Authorized agencies seeking to subscribe in the Federal Rap Back Service must submit a Federal Rap Back Service Request from the AAJC Portal. Agencies will select which applicant types to enroll from a list of eligible options and complete and sign a new Contract for Federal Subsequent Arrest & Disposition Notifications (BCIA 8050) form, as well as an updated Contract for California Subsequent Arrest & Disposition Notifications (BCIA

² Public Law 92-544; (Pen. Code, § 11076).

8049) form and Authorized Recipient User Agreement (BCIA 9005) form. Authorized agencies will renew, cancel, or modify their subscriptions, and receive state and federal subsequent arrest and disposition notifications in the AAJC Portal.

All youth organizations should refer to IB [25-04](#) for establishing California Volunteer and Employee Criminal History Service (CaVECHS) authorization and enrolling in the Federal Rap Back Service.

DOJ will forward requests to enroll an applicant type in the Federal Rap Back Service to the FBI for approval. Approval or denial may take several months.

Fees

Federal Rap Back Service is included in the cost of a federal level background check for subscribed applicants. A current copy of the Applicant Fingerprint Processing Fees can be found on the Office of the Attorney General's website at <https://oag.ca.gov/fingerprints/forms>.

Training Materials

Visit the Applicant Agency Forms/Documents and Video Resource Library under the Resources tab in the AAJC Portal for additional training and reference materials.

Noncriminal Justice Agency Audits

DOJ conducts audits of all applicant agencies with access to CORI for noncriminal justice purposes. Audits of agencies subscribed to the Federal Rap Back Service will include a review of the service requirements to ensure ongoing compliance. All applicant agencies must adhere to the FBI *CJIS Security Policy* and the *Security and Management Control Outsourcing Standard for Non-Channelers* to subscribe to the Federal Rap Back Service.

If you have questions about the information provided in this IB, please contact the Authorization & Certification Program at TASS@doj.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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