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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: ARNIE C. "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am in Support of this Bill. However, I believe that this is a Duplication of Protocol, Policy and Duplication. I would like to believe that this Check is conducted by the Missouri Department of Corrections.



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WITNESS NAME: CHIEF OF POLICE WES B. COATNEY		PHONE NUMBER:	
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In Missouri, Jake's Law prevents the release of arrestees without first checking them for active warrants that could place citizens in grave risk if the suspect is released. In Law Enforcement, an increasing number of incidents are mental health related and jails may not accept the arrestees if they are experiencing active mental health crisis. Therefore, custody of that person is turned over to a mental health facility for a 96 hour hold. Currently some mental health facilities refuse to notify the arresting agency upon the arrestees release. That arrestee may still pose a safety risk to victims and an arrest warrant may be issued during the 96 hour hold. But if law-enforcement is not notified of their release, they are released to the streets and back to potential contact with victims. An amendment to Jake's Law requiring law-enforcement notification upon release to check for active warrants on subjects transported by law-enforcement would prevent this possible victimization and custody could be reengaged by proper law enforcement.



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WITNESS NAME: SUSAN RENEE CARTER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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