AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1472.3(E)(3)(b), relative to the license to handle explosives; to provide relative to the qualifications of an applicant to handle explosives; to provide relative to criminal history records checks of applicants for licenses to handle explosives; to require fingerprints of applicants for licenses to handle explosives; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1.  R.S. 40:1472.3(E)(3)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1472.3.  License; manufacturer, dealer-distributor, user, blaster, or handler of explosives

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(b) The department shall execute a thorough background investigation, including a criminal history records check, of every applicant for the purpose of verifying or renewing the qualifications of the applicant pursuant to the requirements of this Section. For purposes of this Subparagraph, a background check shall be defined as a computer check of available online state records all state records of arrest, prosecution, or conviction and all expunged information and dismissed convictions pursuant to Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 893 and 894, as well
as national records including but not limited to the federal Interstate Identification
Index for a national identification and criminal history records check and which may
shall include fingerprints of the applicant and other identifying information, if so that
shall be requested by the department. The department shall require any current or
prospective manufacturer, dealer-distributor, user, blaster, or handler as defined in
R.S. 40:1472.2 to submit to a criminal history records check to be conducted by the
Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information. Fingerprints and other
identifying information from the current or prospective manufacturer, dealer-
distributor, user, blaster, or handler shall be submitted to the bureau. In addition,
when the department requests a national criminal history records check, the bureau
shall forward the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national
criminal history records check and shall provide the department with the national
criminal history record information of the current or prospective manufacturer,
dealer-distributor, user, blaster, or handler.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ____________________

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