

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 221

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2405.4(A) and (C), relative to peace officers; to provide
3 relative to the submission of DNA samples; to provide relative to the storage of DNA
4 samples; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:2405.4(A) and (C) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7 follows:

8 §2405.4. Additional requirements of peace officers

9 A. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any person being
10 hired as a peace officer with a law enforcement agency on or after August 15, 2003,
11 shall provide the law enforcement agency with a sample of his DNA material and
12 fingerprint prior to the commencement of the discharge of his duties. ~~The law~~
13 ~~enforcement agency shall submit the DNA material to the appropriate criminal~~
14 ~~laboratory for testing.~~ The law enforcement agency shall also conduct a criminal
15 background check of any peace officer it employs after August 15, 2003.

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17 C. Any person hired as a peace officer with a law enforcement agency on or
18 after August 15, 2003, shall have his DNA ~~tested by the taking of a biological~~
19 ~~sample~~ collected and the biological sample stored. A person currently employed as

1 a peace officer may authorize that his DNA be tested by the taking of a biological
2 sample.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____