

SUBTITLE 6. MISSING PERSONS.

3-601.

(A) (1) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY NOT ESTABLISH A MANDATORY WAITING PERIOD BEFORE TAKING A MISSING PERSON REPORT.

(2) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND THE FAMILY OF A MISSING PERSON THAT THE AGENCY DOES NOT IMPOSE A MANDATORY WAITING PERIOD BEFORE TAKING A MISSING PERSON REPORT.

(B) IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY:

(1) SHALL ACCEPT WITHOUT DELAY A REPORT OF A MISSING PERSON PROVIDED IN PERSON; AND

(2) MAY ACCEPT A REPORT OF A MISSING PERSON BY PHONE OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS IF:

(I) THAT FORM OF REPORTING IS CONSISTENT WITH THE POLICY OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY; AND

(II) THE REPORTING PERSON COMPLETES THE REPORT IN PERSON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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~~USING AVAILABLE FUNDS, A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL PUBLISH AND DISTRIBUTE A BROCHURE OR OTHER MATERIAL TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND TO THE FAMILY OF A MISSING PERSON THAT EXPLAINS:~~

~~(1) BASIC INFORMATION ABOUT A MISSING PERSON INVESTIGATION, INCLUDING INFORMATION ABOUT THE MARYLAND CENTER FOR MISSING CHILDREN AND ITS TOLL FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER AND THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN AND ITS TOLL FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER; AND~~

~~(2) THE TYPES OF INFORMATION THAT FAMILY MEMBERS MAY PROVIDE THAT WILL HELP LAW ENFORCEMENT IN A MISSING PERSON INVESTIGATION.~~

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ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2008, ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THE STATE SHALL BEGIN USING A UNIFORM REPORT FORM DEVELOPED BY THE POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 3-207 OF THIS TITLE WHEN TAKING A MISSING PERSON REPORT.

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(A) THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER SHALL MAINTAIN FILES OF DNA SAMPLES AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF UNIDENTIFIED HUMAN REMAINS.

(B) THE CREMATION OF HUMAN REMAINS IS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF § 5-502 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.