HOUSE BILL 298

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2011

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AN ACT

RELATING TO SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR

VERIFICATION OF REGISTRATION; REQUIRING NOTICE TO REGISTERED

OFFENDERS TO VERIFY REGISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL

VERIFICATION OF REGISTRATION AFTER TEN YEARS OF CONTINUOUS

COMPLIANCE WITH NINETY-DAY VERIFICATIONS; REQUIRING THAT THE

CRIMES OF KIDNAPPING AND FALSE IMPRISONMENT BE COMMITTED WITH

SEXUAL INTENT BEFORE THEY ARE DEEMED A SEX OFFENSE; MODIFYING

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS; CLARIFYING THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE

ON THE SEX OFFENDER INTERNET WEB SITE; REITERATING STATE

PREEMPTION OF THE FIELD OF SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION BY

PROHIBITING LAW ENFORCEMENT FROM REQUIRING ADDITIONAL

REGISTRATION THAN IS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW; RECONCILING

MULTIPLE AMENDMENTS TO THE SAME SECTIONS OF LAW IN LAWS 2007.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

1	SECTION 1. Section 29-11A-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1995,
2	Chapter 106, Section 3, as amended by Laws 2007, Chapter 68,
3	Section 1 and by Laws 2007, Chapter 69, Section 5) is amended
4	to read:
5	"29-11A-3. DEFINITIONSAs used in the Sex Offender
6	Registration and Notification Act:
7	A. "conviction" means a conviction in any court of
8	competent jurisdiction and includes a deferred sentence, but
9	does not include a conditional discharge;
10	B. "institution of higher education" means a:
11	(1) private or public post-secondary
12	educational institution;
13	(2) trade school; or
14	(3) professional school;
15	C. "habitually lives" means any place where a sex
16	offender lives for ten continuous days or for an aggregate
17	period of time exceeding thirty days in any calendar year;
18	[$C.$] $D.$ "registration requirement" means any
19	requirement set forth in Section 29-11A-4 NMSA 1978 that
20	requires a sex offender to register; provide information,
21	including a DNA sample; renew, revise or change registration
22	information; or provide written notice or disclosure regarding
23	the sex offender's status as a sex offender;
24	$[\frac{D_{\bullet}}{}]$ \underline{E}_{\bullet} "sex offender" means a person who:
25	(1) is a resident of New Mexico who is

1	convicted of a sex offense pursuant to state, federal, tribal
2	or military law;
3	(2) changes residence to New Mexico, when that
4	person has been convicted of a sex offense pursuant to state,
5	federal, tribal or military law;
6	(3) does not have an established residence in
7	New Mexico, but lives in a shelter, halfway house or
8	transitional living facility or stays in multiple locations in
9	New Mexico and who has been convicted of a sex offense pursuant
10	to state, federal, tribal or military law; or
11	(4) is a resident of another state and who has
12	been convicted of a sex offense pursuant to state, federal,
13	tribal or military law, but who is:
14	(a) employed full time or part time in
15	New Mexico for a period of time exceeding fourteen days or for
16	an aggregate period of time exceeding thirty days during any
17	calendar year, including any employment or vocation, whether
18	financially compensated, volunteered or for the purpose of
19	government or educational benefit; or
20	(b) enrolled on a full-time or
21	part-time basis in a private or public school or an institution
22	of higher education in New Mexico; and
23	$[rac{E_{ullet}}{F_{ullet}}]$ "sex offense" means any of the following
24	offenses or their equivalents in any other jurisdiction:
25	(l) aggravated criminal sexual penetration or

1	criminal sexual penetration in the first, second, third or
2	fourth degree, as provided in Section 30-9-11 NMSA 1978;
3	(2) criminal sexual contact in the fourth
4	degree, as provided in Section 30-9-12 NMSA 1978;
5	(3) criminal sexual contact of a minor in the
6	second, third or fourth degree, as provided in Section
7	30-9-13 NMSA 1978;
8	(4) sexual exploitation of children, as
9	provided in Section 30-6A-3 NMSA 1978;
10	(5) sexual exploitation of children by
11	prostitution, as provided in Section 30-6A-4 NMSA 1978;
12	(6) kidnapping, as provided in Section
13	30-4-1 NMSA 1978, [when the victim is less than eighteen years
14	of age and the offender is not a parent of the victim] with
15	intent to inflict a sexual offense;
16	(7) false imprisonment, as provided in Section
17	30-4-3 NMSA 1978, [when the victim is less than eighteen years
18	of age and the offender is not a parent of the victim] with
19	intent to inflict a sexual offense;
20	(8) aggravated indecent exposure, as provided
21	in Section 30-9-14.3 NMSA 1978;
22	(9) enticement of child, as provided in
23	Section 30-9-1 NMSA 1978;
24	(10) incest, as provided in Section 30-10-3
25	NMSA 1978, when the victim is less than eighteen years of age;
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(11)	child solicitation by electronic
communication device,	as provided in <u>Subsection C of</u> Section
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- (12) solicitation to commit criminal sexual contact of a minor in the second, third or fourth degree, as provided in Sections 30-9-13 and 30-28-3 NMSA 1978; or
- (13) attempt to commit any of the sex offenses set forth in Paragraphs (1) through [(11)] (10) of this subsection, as provided in Section 30-28-1 NMSA 1978."
- SECTION 2. Section 29-11A-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1995, Chapter 106, Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:
- "29-11A-4. REGISTRATION OF SEX OFFENDERS--INFORMATION
 REQUIRED--VERIFICATION--CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR NONCOMPLIANCE.--
- A. A sex offender residing in this state shall register with the county sheriff for the county in which the sex offender resides.
- B. A sex offender who is a resident of New Mexico shall <u>initially</u> register with the county sheriff no later than ten days after being released from the custody of the corrections department, a municipal or county jail or a federal, military or tribal correctional facility or detention center or being placed on probation or parole. A sex offender who changes [his] residence to New Mexico shall register with the county sheriff no later than ten days after [his] arrival in this state. When a sex offender registers with the county

sheriff,	[he]	<u>the</u>	sex	<u>offender</u>	shall	provide	the	following
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- (1) [his] the sex offender's legal name and any other names or aliases that [he] the sex offender is using or has used;
 - (2) [his] the sex offender's date of birth;
- (3) [his] the sex offender's social security number;
- (4) [his] the sex offender's current address and the address of every place where the sex offender habitually lives;
- (5) [his] the sex offender's place of
 employment;
- (6) the sex offense for which $[\frac{he}{e}]$ the sex offender was convicted; and
- (7) the date and place of $[\frac{his}{s}]$ the sex offense conviction.
- c. A sex offender who is a resident of another state but who is employed in New Mexico or attending public or private school or an institution of higher education in New Mexico shall register with the county sheriff for the county in which the sex offender is working or attending school or an institution of higher education. [D. A sex offender who is a resident of another state but who is employed in New Mexico or attending public or private school or an institution of higher

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1	education in New Mexico] The sex offender shall register [with
2	the county sheriff] no later than ten days after beginning work
3	or school. When the sex offender registers with the county
4	sheriff, [he] the sex offender shall provide the following
5	registration information:
6	(1) [his] <u>the sex offender's</u> legal name and
7	any other names or aliases that [he] <u>the sex offender</u> is using
8	or has used;
9	(2) [his] the sex offender's date of birth;
10	(3) [his] <u>the sex offender's</u> social security
11	number;
12	(4) [his] <u>the sex offender's</u> current address
13	and the address of every place where the sex offender
14	<u>habitually lives</u> in [his] <u>the sex offender's</u> state of residence
15	and, if applicable, the address of [his] the sex offender's
16	place of lodging in New Mexico while [he is] working or
17	attending school or an institution of higher education;
18	(5) [his] <u>the sex offender's</u> place of
19	employment or the name of the school [he] the sex offender is
20	attending;
21	(6) the sex offense for which [he] <u>the sex</u>
22	offender was convicted; and
23	(7) the date and place of [his] <u>the</u> sex

[E.] D. When a sex offender registers with a county .183117.2

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sheriff, the sheriff shall obtain:

- (1) a photograph of the sex offender and a complete set of the sex offender's fingerprints and a palm print;
- (2) a physical description, including a description of any tattoos, scars or other distinguishing features on the sex offender's body that would assist in identifying the sex offender; and
- (3) a \underline{DNA} sample [of his \underline{DNA}] for inclusion in the sex offender \underline{DNA} identification system pursuant to the provisions of the \underline{DNA} Identification \underline{Act} .
- [F.] E. When a sex offender who is registered changes [his] residence within the same county, the sex offender shall send written notice of [his] the change of address to the county sheriff no later than ten days after establishing [his] the new residence.
- [G.] F. When a sex offender who is registered changes [his] residence to a new county in New Mexico, the sex offender shall:
- (1) register with the county sheriff of the new county no later than ten days after establishing [his] the new residence [The sex offender shall also]; and
- (2) send written notice of the change in residence to the county sheriff with whom [he] the sex offender last registered no later than ten days after establishing [his]

the new residence.

- G. When a sex offender who is registered is incarcerated for more than ten consecutive days, the sex offender shall report to the county sheriff no later than five days after being released.
- H. When a sex offender who is registered or required to register <u>is homeless or</u> does not have an established residence, but lives in a shelter, halfway house or transitional living facility or stays in multiple locations in New Mexico, the sex offender shall register with the county sheriff for each county in which the sex offender is living or temporarily located. The sex offender shall register no later than ten days after a change in [his] living arrangements or temporary location.
- required to register is employed, begins a vocation or is enrolled as a student at an institution of higher education in New Mexico, the sex offender shall disclose [his] the sex offender's status as a sex offender in writing to the county sheriff for the county in which the institution of higher education is located, the law enforcement entity responsible for the institution of higher education and the registrar for the institution of higher education no later than ten days after beginning employment, beginning a vocation or enrolling at the institution of higher education. The sex offender shall

also send written notice of any change regarding [his] employment, vocation or enrollment status at an institution of higher education to the county sheriff, the law enforcement entity and the registrar no later than ten days after the change in [his] employment, vocation or enrollment status.

- required to register is employed or is enrolled as a student at a public or private school in New Mexico, the sex offender shall disclose [his] the sex offender's status as a sex offender in writing to the county sheriff for the county in which the school is located and to the principal of the school no later than ten days after beginning employment or enrolling at the school. The sex offender shall also send written notice of any change regarding [his] employment or enrollment status at a school to the county sheriff and the principal no later than ten days after the change in [his] employment or enrollment status.
- K. When a sex offender who is registered or required to register is employed, begins a vocation or volunteers [his] services, regardless of whether the sex offender receives payment or other compensation, the sex offender shall disclose [his] the sex offender's status as a sex offender in writing to [his] the sex offender's employer, supervisor or person similarly situated. The written disclosure shall be made immediately upon beginning [his]

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Following [his] initial registration pursuant to the provisions of this section:

a sex offender [required to register (1) pursuant to the provisions of convicted of any of the sex offenses enumerated in Subsection D of Section 29-11A-5 NMSA 1978 or their equivalents shall [renew his] verify registration information with the county sheriff as provided in Subsection N of this section not less than once in each ninety-day period following the date of the sex offender's initial registration for a period of ten years. After ten years of continuous and compliant registration pursuant to this section, if the sex offender has not been convicted of a subsequent felony offense, the sex offender shall verify registration information annually for the [entirety] remainder of [his] the sex offender's natural life; and

- (2) a sex offender [required to register pursuant to the provisions of convicted of any of the sex offenses enumerated in Subsection E of Section 29-11A-5 NMSA 1978 or their equivalents shall annually [renew his] verify registration information with the county sheriff as provided in Subsection N of this section prior to December 31 of each subsequent calendar year for a period of ten years.
- Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (2) Μ. of Subsection L of this section, if a sex offender is convicted

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a second or subsequent time for a sex offense set forth in Subsection E of Section 29-11A-5 NMSA 1978, [he] the sex offender shall [renew his] verify registration information with the county sheriff as provided in Subsection N of this section not less than once in each ninety-day period following the date of the sex offender's initial registration for the [entirety] remainder of [his] the sex offender's natural life.

N. At least fifteen days prior to the time a sex offender is required to verify the sex offender's registration with a county sheriff, the department of public safety shall send a verification form, by first class mail, to the sex offender containing the sex offender's current registration information and a notice that the sex offender is required to appear at the county sheriff's office to verify the information in the form, to change the information as necessary and to sign a statement under oath that the information is true and correct. The sex offender shall return the verification form in person to the county sheriff within ten days of receipt and sign the statement under oath. The sheriff may photograph the sex offender at that time if the sex offender's appearance is significantly different from the photograph already contained in the sex offender's file. If a sex offender does not receive a verification form before the time that the sex offender is required to verify registration pursuant to Subsection L of this section, the sex offender shall appear at the county

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sheriff's office to verify registration information as required by this section.

[N.] O. A sex offender who willfully or knowingly fails to comply with the registration or verification requirements set forth in this section is guilty of a fourth degree felony and shall be sentenced pursuant to the provisions of Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978. A sex offender who willfully or knowingly fails to comply with the registration or verification requirements set forth in this section after a first or subsequent conviction for a violation pursuant to this section is guilty of a third degree felony and shall be sentenced pursuant to the provisions of Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978. willful failure to comply with any registration or verification requirement set forth in this section shall be deemed part of a continuing transaction or occurrence. A conviction pursuant to this subsection shall not be considered a felony for purposes of the imposition of sentencing enhancements pursuant to the provisions of Section 31-18-17 NMSA 1978.

[0.] P. A sex offender who willfully or knowingly provides false information when complying with the registration or verification requirements set forth in this section is guilty of a fourth degree felony and shall be sentenced pursuant to the provisions of Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978. A sex offender who willfully or knowingly provides false information when complying with the registration or

verification requirements set forth in this section after a first or subsequent conviction for a violation pursuant to this section is guilty of a third degree felony and shall be sentenced pursuant to the provisions of Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978. The willful providing by a sex offender of false information with respect to the registration or verification requirements set forth in this section shall be deemed part of a continuing transaction or occurrence. A conviction pursuant to this subsection shall not be considered a felony for purposes of the imposition of sentencing enhancements pursuant to the provisions of Section 31-18-17 NMSA 1978."

SECTION 3. Section 29-11A-5 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1995,

SECTION 3. Section 29-11A-5 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1995, Chapter 106, Section 5, as amended by Laws 2007, Chapter 68, Section 2 and by Laws 2007, Chapter 69, Section 6) is amended to read:

"29-11A-5. LOCAL REGISTRY--CENTRAL REGISTRY-ADMINISTRATION BY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY--PARTICIPATION IN
THE NATIONAL SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY--RULES.--

A. A county sheriff shall maintain a local registry of sex offenders in the sheriff's jurisdiction required to register pursuant to the provisions of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act.

- B. The county sheriff shall forward:
- (1) registration information obtained from sex offenders to the department of public safety. The initial

registration information and any new registration information subsequently obtained from a sex offender shall be forwarded by the county sheriff no later than ten working days after the information is obtained from a sex offender. If the department of public safety receives information regarding a sex offender from a governmental entity other than a county sheriff, the department shall send that information to the sheriff for the county in which the sex offender resides; and

- (2) samples of DNA obtained from sex offenders to the administrative center for the sex offender DNA identification system pursuant to the provisions of the DNA Identification Act.
- C. The department of public safety shall maintain a central registry of sex offenders required to register pursuant to the provisions of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act. The department shall participate in the national sex offender registry administered by the United States department of justice. The department shall send conviction information and fingerprints for all sex offenders registered in New Mexico to the national sex offender registry administered by the United States department of justice and to the federal bureau of investigation.
- D. The department of public safety shall retain registration information regarding a sex offender convicted for any of the following sex offenses for the entirety of the sex

1	offender's natural life:
2	(1) aggravated criminal sexual penetration or
3	criminal sexual penetration in the first, second or third
4	degree, as provided in Section 30-9-11 NMSA 1978;
5	(2) criminal sexual contact of a minor in the
6	second, third or fourth degree, as provided in Section
7	30-9-13 NMSA 1978;
8	(3) sexual exploitation of children, as
9	provided in Section 30-6A-3 NMSA 1978;
10	(4) kidnapping, as provided in Section
11	30-4-1 NMSA 1978, [when the victim is less than eighteen years
12	of age and the offender is not a parent of the victim] with
13	intent to inflict a sexual offense; or
14	[(5) criminal sexual contact in the fourth
15	degree, as provided in Section 30-9-12 NMSA 1978; or
16	$\frac{(6)}{(5)}$ attempt to commit any of the sex
17	offenses set forth in Paragraphs (1) through $[\frac{(5)}{(4)}]$ of this
18	subsection, as provided in Section 30-28-1 NMSA 1978.
19	E. The department of public safety shall retain
20	registration information regarding a sex offender convicted for
21	the following offenses for a period of ten years following the
22	sex offender's conviction, release from prison or release from
23	probation or parole, whichever occurs later:
2/4	(1) criminal sexual penetration in the fourth

degree, as provided in Section 30-9-11 NMSA 1978;

1	(2) sexual exploitation of children by
2	prostitution, as provided in Section 30-6A-4 NMSA 1978;
3	(3) false imprisonment, as provided in Section
4	30-4-3 NMSA 1978, [when the victim is less than eighteen years
5	of age and the offender is not a parent of the victim] with
6	intent to inflict a sexual offense;
7	(4) criminal sexual contact in the fourth
8	degree, as provided in Section 30-9-12 NMSA 1978;
9	$[\frac{(4)}{(5)}]$ aggravated indecent exposure, as
10	provided in Section 30-9-14.3 NMSA 1978;
11	$[\frac{(5)}{(6)}]$ enticement of child, as provided in
12	Section 30-9-1 NMSA 1978;
13	$[\frac{(6)}{(7)}]$ incest, as provided in Section
14	30-10-3 NMSA 1978, when the victim is less than eighteen years
15	of age;
16	$\left[\frac{(7)}{(8)}\right]$ solicitation to commit criminal
17	sexual contact of a minor in the second, third or fourth
18	degree, as provided in Sections 30-9-13 and 30-28-3 NMSA 1978;
19	$[\frac{(8)}{(9)}]$ child solicitation by electronic
20	communication device, as provided in <u>Subsection C of</u> Section
21	30-37-3.2 NMSA 1978; or
22	$[\frac{(9)}{(10)}]$ attempt to commit any of the sex
23	offenses set forth in Paragraphs (1) through $[\frac{(6)}{(7)}]$ of this
24	subsection, as provided in Section 30-28-1 NMSA 1978.
25	F. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection E
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of this section, if a sex offender is convicted a second or subsequent time for a sex offense set forth in that subsection, the department of public safety shall retain information regarding the sex offender for the entirety of the sex offender's natural life.

G. The department of public safety shall adopt rules necessary to carry out the provisions of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act. Rules necessary for the collection of DNA samples and the administration and operation of the sex offender DNA identification system shall be adopted by the DNA identification system oversight committee pursuant to the provisions of the DNA Identification Act."

SECTION 4. Section 29-11A-5.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1999, Chapter 19, Section 8, as amended) is amended to read:

"29-11A-5.1. PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION REGARDING
CERTAIN REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS--ACTIVE COMMUNITY
NOTIFICATION--INTERNET WEB SITE.--

A. If a sex offender is convicted of one of the following sex offenses, the county sheriff shall forward registration information obtained from the sex offender to the district attorney for the judicial district in which the sex offender resides and, if the sex offender is a resident of a municipality, the chief law enforcement officer for the municipality in which the sex offender resides:

(1) aggravated criminal sexual penetration or

1	criminal sexual penetration in the first, second or third
2	degree, as provided in Section 30-9-11 NMSA 1978;
3	(2) criminal sexual contact of a minor in the
4	second, third or fourth degree, as provided in Section
5	30-9-13 NMSA 1978;
6	(3) sexual exploitation of children, as
7	provided in Section 30-6A-3 NMSA 1978;
8	(4) sexual exploitation of children by
9	prostitution, as provided in Section 30-6A-4 NMSA 1978; or
10	(5) attempt to commit any of the sex offenses
11	set forth in Paragraphs (1) through (4) of this subsection, as
12	provided in Section 30-28-1 NMSA 1978.
13	B. A person who wants to obtain registration
14	information regarding sex offenders described in Subsection A
15	of this section may request that information from the:
16	(1) sheriff for the county in which the sex
17	offenders reside;
18	(2) chief law enforcement officer for the
19	municipality in which the sex offenders reside;
20	(3) district attorney for the judicial
21	district in which the sex offenders reside; or
22	(4) secretary of public safety.
23	C. Upon receiving a request for registration
24	information regarding sex offenders described in Subsection A
25	of this section, the county sheriff, chief municipal law

enforcement officer, district attorney or secretary of public safety shall provide that registration information, with the exception of a sex offender's social security number and DNA information, within a reasonable period of time, and no later than seven days after receiving the request.

- D. Within seven days of receiving registration information from a sex offender described in Subsection A of this section, the county sheriff shall contact every licensed daycare center, elementary school, middle school and high school within a one-mile radius of the sex offender's residence and provide them with the sex offender's registration information, with the exception of the sex offender's social security number and DNA information.
- E. The department of public safety shall establish and manage an internet web site that provides the public with registration information regarding sex offenders described in Subsection A of this section, except that the department of public safety shall not provide registration information on the internet web site regarding a sex offender who was less than eighteen years of age when the sex offender committed the sex offense for which the sex offender was convicted as a youthful offender, as provided in Section 32A-2-3 NMSA 1978, unless at the time of sentencing, the court made a finding that the sex offender is not amenable to treatment and is a danger to the community. The registration information provided to the public

1	pursuant to this subsection shall not include a sex offender's
2	social security number or DNA information or a sex offender's
3	place of employment, unless the sex offender's employment
4	requires the sex offender to have [direct] unsupervised contact
5	with children <u>under sixteen years of age. The internet web</u>
6	site shall provide only the following registration information:
7	(1) the sex offender's legal name and any
8	other names or aliases that the sex offender is using or has
9	used;
10	(2) the sex offender's current address and the
11	address of every place where the sex offender habitually lives;
12	(3) if the sex offender's employment involves
13	unsupervised contact with children under sixteen years of age,
14	the sex offender's place of employment;
15	(4) the sex offenses for which the sex
16	offender has been convicted;
17	(5) a photograph of the sex offender;
18	(6) the sex offender's date of birth; and
19	(7) a physical description, including a
20	description of any tattoos, scars or other distinguishing
21	features on the sex offender's body."
22	SECTION 5. Section 29-11A-9 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2005,
23	Chapter 279, Section 7) is amended to read:
24	"29-11A-9. STATE PREEMPTIONSAVING CLAUSE
25	A. The state preempts the field of sex offender
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registration and notification. Cities, counties, home rule municipalities and other political subdivisions of the state are prohibited from adopting or continuing in effect any ordinance, rule, regulation, resolution or statute on sex offender registration and notification. State and local law enforcement agencies shall not require a sex offender to report or to register more frequently or to provide information not required by the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act.

After January 18, 2005, cities, counties, home В. rule municipalities and other political subdivisions of the state are prohibited from adopting or amending an ordinance, rule, regulation or resolution on sex offender registration and notification. An ordinance in effect on January 18, 2005 shall continue in force and effect until repealed; provided that the ordinance shall only continue in force and effect with regard to sex offenders who are required to register pursuant to the provisions of the ordinance but who are not required to register pursuant to the provisions of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act. All other sex offenders shall register pursuant to the provisions of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act."

EFFECTIVE DATE. -- The effective date of the SECTION 6. provisions of this act is July 1, 2011.

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