

HB 1242 -- Methamphetamine Offender Registry and Clean Up of Hazardous Substances

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Subject to appropriations, this bill requires the State Highway Patrol to create, maintain, and make available for public inquiry on the Internet a registry of persons convicted of, found guilty of, pled guilty to, or who were granted a suspended imposition of sentence for certain drug offenses within the past seven years of the most recent judgment.

The bill also requires law enforcement agencies that come into contact with or are aware of any suspected hazardous substance during an official investigation to notify the Department of Natural Resources in order to secure a contractor to identify, clean up, store, and dispose of the substance except for samples obtained for evidentiary purposes. The department must make every effort to recover the costs for the clean up from the responsible parties.