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Senate Select Committee on Missing and Unidentified Persons Hearing #1: Response and Reporting for Missing Person's Cases

AGENDA

Wednesday, March 11, 2020
State Capitol, Room 3191
1:00 p.m.

I. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Senator Cathleen Galgiani, Chair, Senate Select Committee on Missing and Unidentified Persons.

II. Guest Panelists

1. **Charles Evans** with the Commission on California Peace Officer Standards and Training will give an overview of the CA Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) manual for the investigation of missing persons. Mr. Evans will also provide a description of what the POST Manual sets forth for the roles of the responding patrol person, dispatcher, and the detective as it applies to missing persons.
2. **Deputy Sheriff Alyssa Carroll** with the Mariposa Sheriff Department will present an overview of her training and experience in responding to calls concerning missing persons.
3. **Chela Cotrell**, Communications Supervisor with the Citrus Heights Police Department, will give an overview of her training and experience in handling calls concerning missing persons. Ms. Cotrell will also describe her administrative duties to initiate and enter missing person's cases into the respective databases.



4. **Kevin Papineau**, Criminal Investigator with the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, will describe his training and experience with handling missing person's investigations and how cases are handled from the police officer to the detective.
5. **B.J. Spamer**, Executive Director of the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUS), will give an overview of NamUs and how it accepts information concerning missing persons.
6. **Christine DePoyster**, Crime Analyst with the FBI's Violent Crime Apprehension Program (ViCAP), will discuss how the program accepts missing person's cases and what criteria qualifies a missing person's case for entry into ViCAP.
7. **Megan Eschleman**, Program Manager, Missing and Unidentified Persons Section (MUPS) and **Linda Schweig**, Assistant Director, Violent Crime Information Center Branch, with the California Department of Justice, will give an overview of the (MUPS) Unit and present the coordination, analysis, and oversight provided by MUPS to California law enforcement. Ms. Eschleman and Ms. Schweig will also describe the database that MUPS uses to track missing persons and how the MUPS database interacts with other government databases.

III. Public Comments

IV. Closing Comments