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The Council and other organizations have expressed concerns regarding proposed sharing of Minnesota criminal justice data with the federal government.

Minnesota's Criminal and Juvenile Justice Information Task Force is making recommendations to the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Information Policy Group for Minnesota's participation in the Law Enforcement National Data Exchange System (N-DEx).

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) operates N-DEx, which is a "pointer system" for criminal justice agency personnel to share law enforcement incident and case reports and other data such as probation and jail data with N-DEx agencies around the country for investigative purposes. Currently, there are approximately 30 state and federal jurisdictions that submit data to N-DEx. The FBI has been promoting N-DEx in Minnesota for the past two years. No Minnesota agency currently sends data to N-DEx; however, there is at least one agency that is in the process.

The Policy Group may forward these recommendations to the Legislature for enactment into law.

The Council on Crime and Justice has concerns about these recommendations, and has provided written comments similar to those provided by the Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women, the ACLU of Minnesota, the Minnesota Board of Public Defense, and the Immigrant Law Center.

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