

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §15-2B-4

§15-2B-4. Division of public safety to establish and administer DNA identification system; inspection of laboratories.

(a) The division shall establish a DNA identification system consisting of a state DNA database and a state DNA databank compatible with the procedures specified by the FBI.

(b) The division shall be the administrator of the state DNA databank and database and the DNA identification system.

(c) The division shall supervise all DNA forensic laboratories in this state to ensure that such laboratories are acting in compliance with applicable provisions of state and federal law. The division may inspect or monitor such facilities and may prohibit any such laboratory from participating in the exchange of information when the division finds that the facility has not acted in conformity with state and federal laws. The superintendent of the division shall further promulgate a legislative rule pursuant to chapter twenty-nine-a of this code regarding the monitoring, inspection and prohibition on the exchange of information.

(d) The superintendent of the division shall further establish standards for testing and quality assurance of DNA testing and the exchange of information through the promulgation of a legislative rule pursuant to chapter twenty-nine-a of this code.

(e) The superintendent of the division of public safety shall promulgate additional legislative rules pursuant to chapter twenty-nine-a of this code necessary to establish and administer the DNA database and databank consistent with the requirements of state and federal law and consistent with the systems employed by the FBI.