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1 606. *Studies; surveys.*

2 607. *Reports.*

3 608. *Grants or gifts.*

4 § 600. *Legislative findings and objectives. The legislature hereby*
5 *finds and declares that:*

6 (1) *The sound administration of criminal justice importantly*
7 *depends upon the effective collection, assimilation and retrieval*
8 *of available information and its dissemination to appropriate*
9 *agencies of government;*

10 (2) *It is in the public interest that, to the greatest extent pos-*
11 *sible, government agencies concerned with the detection, apprehen-*
12 *sion, prosecution, sentencing, confinement and rehabilitation of*
13 *criminal offenders share among themselves available information*
14 *relating to such offenders;*

15 (3) *At this time, relevant information is contained in many*
16 *separate and widely dispersed file systems, manually maintained by*
17 *government agencies throughout the state, and no adequate system*
18 *now exists for coordinating either the files or the information they*
19 *contain;*

20 (4) *There is a need to improve substantially the coordination*
21 *of relevant information and to assure that it is disseminated accu-*
22 *rately and swiftly, especially in aid of police officials, prosecutors,*
23 *criminal courts, and probation, correction and parole officials;*

24 (5) *Through the use of electronic data processing and related*
25 *procedures, a system should be established to provide a central data*
26 *facility, by which relevant information can be coordinated and*
27 *made readily available whenever and wherever required in the*