

BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Policy on the Investigation of Missing Persons

I. Policy Statement

The Bridgewater State University Police Department complies with Public Law 108-21, Title II, Section 204, which is more commonly known as "Suzanne's Law." The law provides that there should be no waiting period before a law enforcement agency initiates an investigation of a missing person under the age of 21 and enters the missing person's information into the National Crime Information Center computer network (NCIC) of the U.S. Department of Justice.

II. Compliance Procedures

The Bridgewater State University Police Department will enter missing persons who are under 21 into NCIC. Concomitantly, BSU Police will immediately initiate an investigation to locate the missing individual.

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