APPENDIX E: LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT CENTER IMMIGRATION ALIEN QUERY OVERVIEW

State and local law enforcement agencies may provide specific notice to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) of an undocumented criminal alien's name, their release date, and their home and work addresses through the Law Enforcement Support Center (LESC). The LESC Immigration Alien Query (IAQ) field is an optional field in 2026 for each inmate record to assist in establishing the eligibility of inmates for State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) reimbursement, **but it will be mandatory beginning with the FY 2028 NOFO for costs incurred during the July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, reporting period**.

LESC is the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's single national point of contact that provides timely immigration status information, identity information, and real-time assistance to local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies on aliens suspected of, arrested for, or convicted of criminal activity. LESC, located in Williston, Vermont, operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.