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# Fingerprinting Applicants in Texas

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## Overview



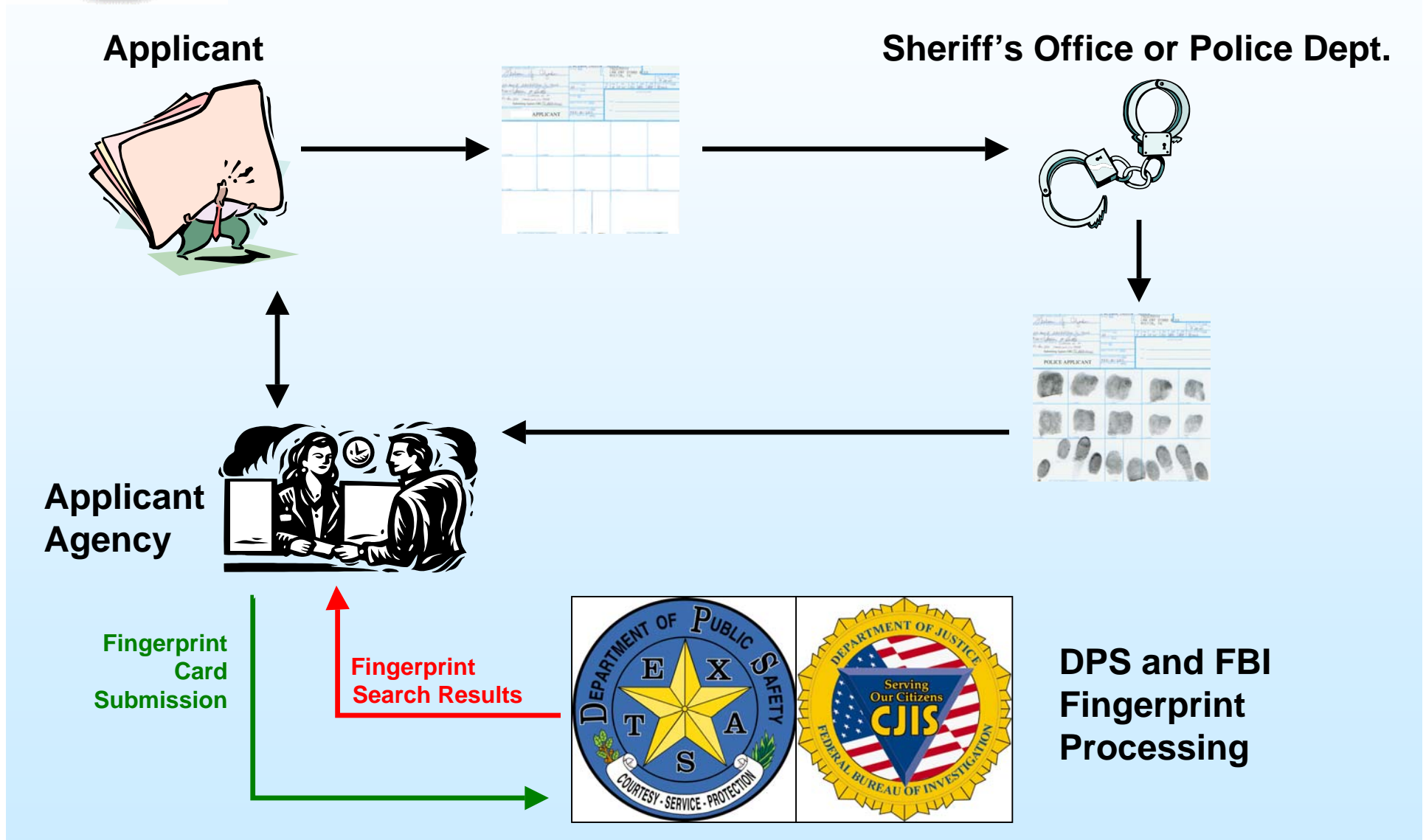
# Overview

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- **Applicant Fingerprinting in Texas**
  - Current Methodology
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  - Increased Need for Service
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# Current Methodology





# Fingerprint Problems

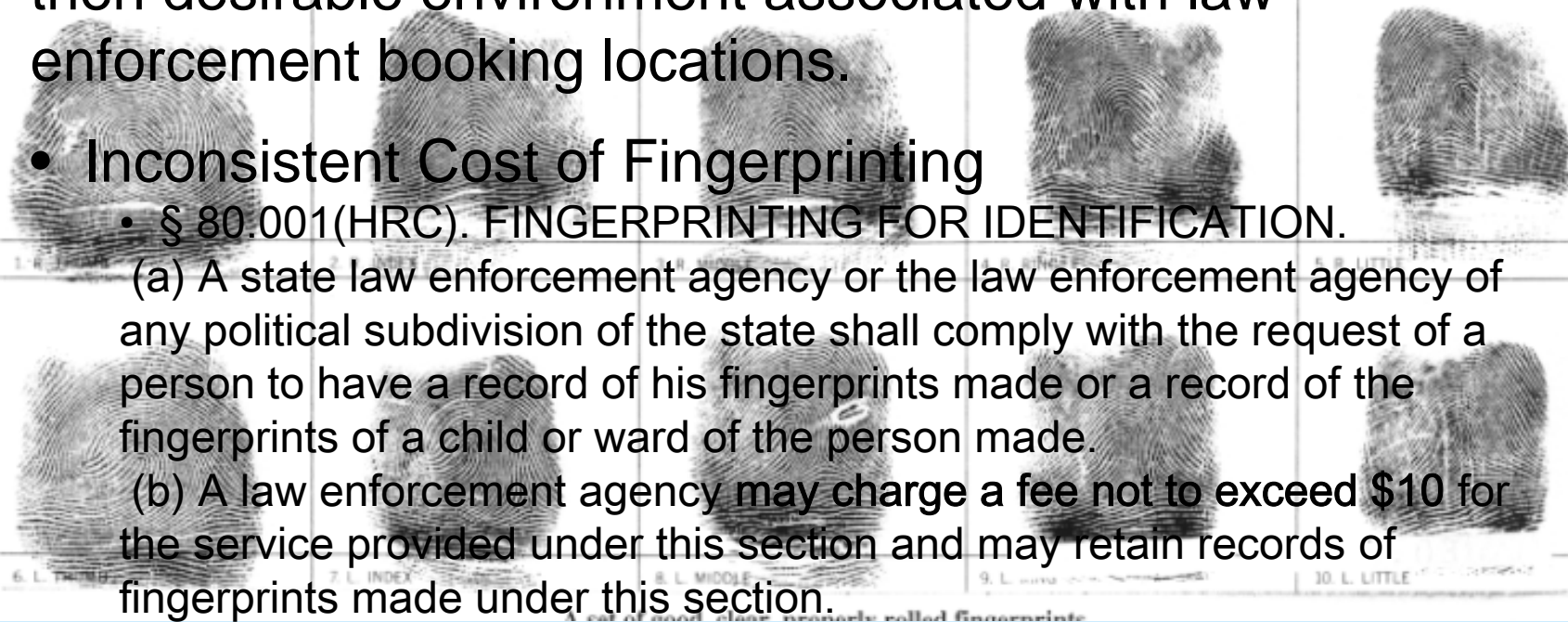
- Rejections due to poor fingerprint quality
- Time Delays in Getting Cards Back to Agency
- Inconvenience of using Sheriff's Office or Police Department to capture fingerprints. This includes the less than desirable environment associated with law enforcement booking locations.

- Inconsistent Cost of Fingerprinting

- § 80.001(HRC). FINGERPRINTING FOR IDENTIFICATION.

- (a) A state law enforcement agency or the law enforcement agency of any political subdivision of the state shall comply with the request of a person to have a record of his fingerprints made or a record of the fingerprints of a child or ward of the person made.

- (b) A law enforcement agency may charge a fee not to exceed \$10 for the service provided under this section and may retain records of fingerprints made under this section.





# DPS Contract for Applicant Fingerprinting Services

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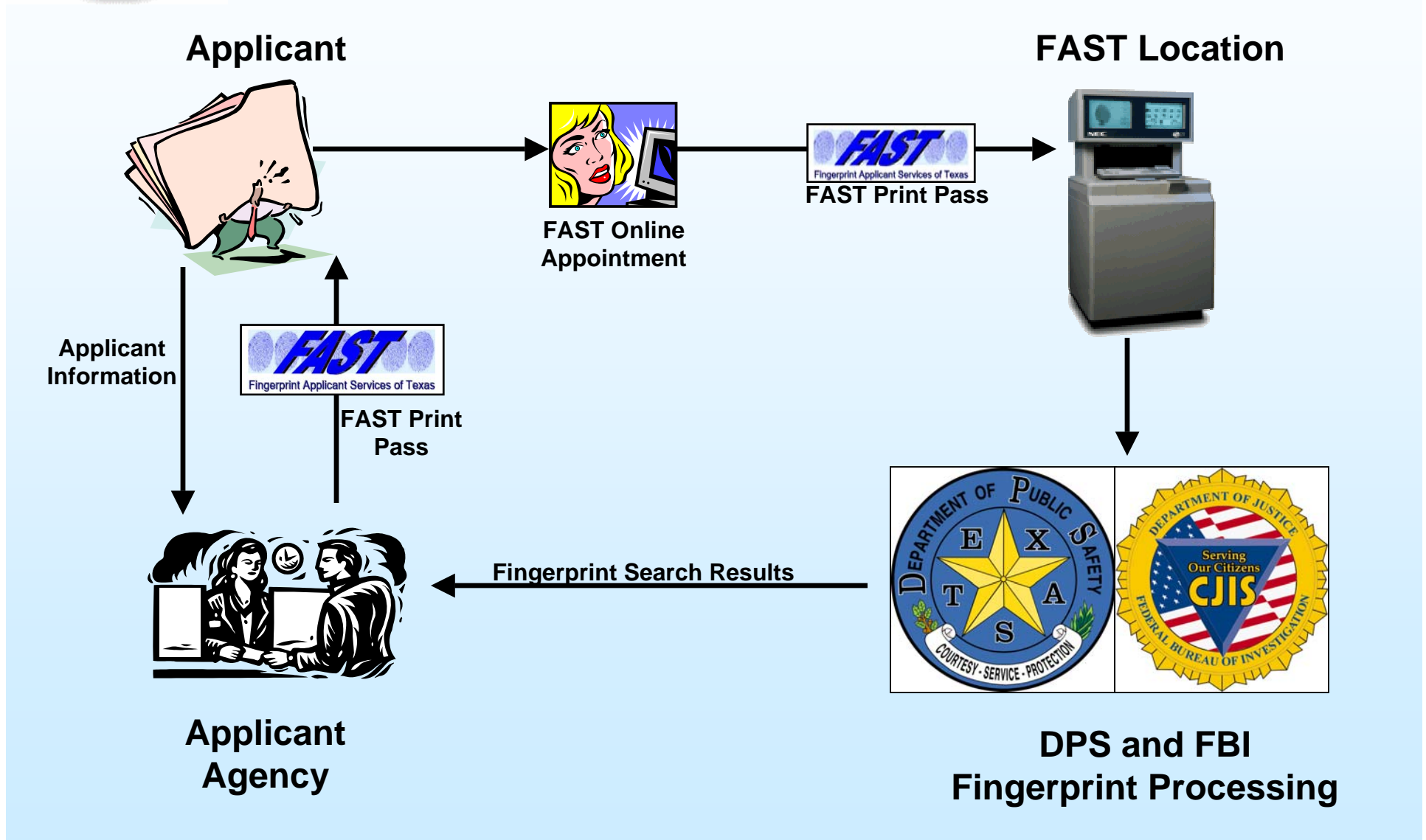
Due to increasing legislative requirements for fingerprint based background checks and the need to overcome problems with the current applicant fingerprint capture methodology, the DPS released an RFP for Applicant Fingerprinting Services.

In order to secure the best value for the state of Texas, the RFP indicated that the successful vendor would be established as the only source of electronic submissions for Texas Fingerprint-based Applicant Background Checks.

Identix Identification Services LLC was selected as the vendor to implement the Fingerprint Applicant Services of Texas or “FAST”.



# FAST Methodology





# What is this “FAST Print Pass”?

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**The FAST Print Pass functionally takes the place of the fingerprint card. It provides DPS and FAST with the information necessary to accurately process an applicant’s fingerprints. The pass will be generated by the Applicant agency and will contain:**

- **The ORI of the Applicant Agency**
- **A unique identifier for the applicant**
- **The type of check that the individual needs (DPS, FBI or both)**

**The FAST Print Pass also serves as the authorization document for the checks to be conducted on the applicant – i.e. that the Applicant agency has authorized the fingerprint search and will pay for the fingerprint search!**

**The FAST Print Pass must be incorporated into the Applicant agency’s licensing methodology in order for the Agency to participate in the FAST program. In the future, the Print Pass requirement will not be necessary for agencies that participate in OLS.**



# Overcoming Applicant Fingerprinting Problems

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## Rejections due to poor fingerprint quality

- ✓ Contract Requires 98% of Fingerprints Captured to be Classifiable by AFIS

## Time Delays in Getting Cards Back to Agency

- ✓ Fingerprints are electronically submitted directly to DPS – no need for them to go to the agency. Responses are forwarded to the agency – removing several steps from the current process.

## Inconsistent Cost of Fingerprinting

- ✓ Capture of fingerprints and transmission to DPS will be \$9.95 (an additional charge will be incurred for routing to a destination other than DPS – i.e. ABA, AAEE)





# Overcoming Applicant Fingerprinting Problems (cont.)



## ✓ Availability of Applicant Fingerprinting Services



### Center Locations

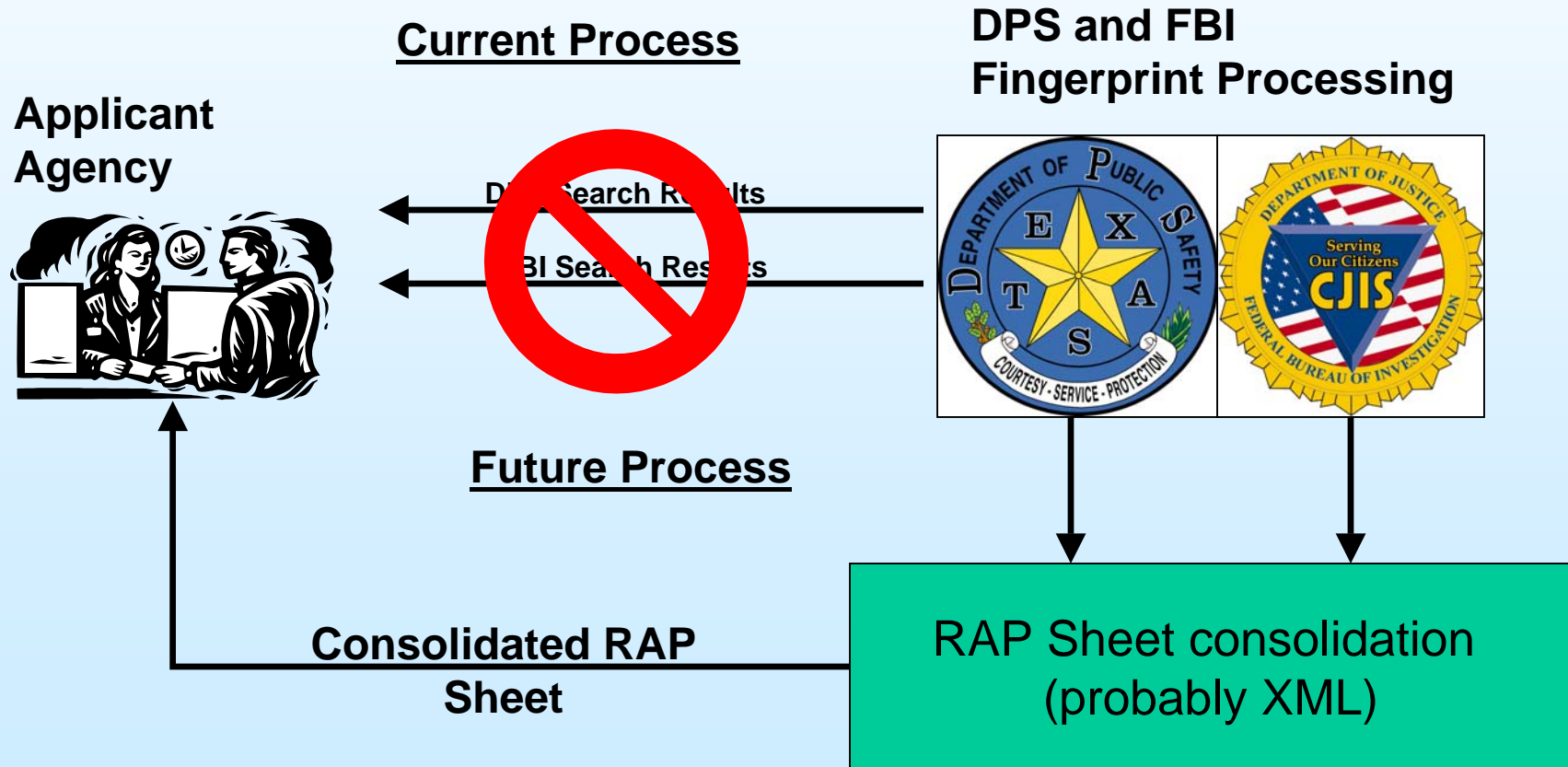
<u>Location of Fingerprinting Center</u>	<u>% of Total Applicants Served</u>
In applicant's city of residence	46.3%
In applicant's county of residence	80.0%
Within 25 miles of residence	75.7%
Within 50 miles of residence	99.0%
Within 75 miles of residence	99.8%
Within 100 miles of residence	99.9%
Within 125 miles of residence	100.0%



# The Future of Applicant Fingerprint Processing in Texas



## Consolidated Responses (DPS and FBI)





# **The Future of Applicant Fingerprint Processing in Texas**

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## **Integration with DIR's Occupational Licensing System**

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