FBI Reporting Criticized

Persons asking the FBI what information it has on file about them may not always have received a complete report on everything in bureau records, Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Tex., said yesterday.

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Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Tex., said yesterday. Under the Privacy Act of 1974, each federal agency is required to publish an annual list and description of all its file systems that contain data on individuals. The FBI reported 12 systems of records as of March 1977, with its central records system, the main system, containing about 6 million files.

The agency is not required to publish separate notices of any other "special index" record sys-

tems, unless information in them cannot be fully retrieved through another part of the system. But the GAO study found that more than a quarter of the FBI's special indexes contained material not fully retrievable through the FBI's central system.

Records not retrievable through any record system for which the FBI has published a notice include material on associates of major narcotic operators and information on persons whose phone conversations were monitored as a result of a tap on some other person's telephone, Brooks said.