AM2159 LB1132 AJC - 02/27/2018

AMENDMENTS TO LB1132

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM1971)

Introduced by Lindstrom, 18.

- 1 1. Strike section 2 and insert the following new section:
- 2 Sec. 2. Section 29-3523, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 3 amended to read:
- 4 29-3523 (1) After the expiration of the periods described in
- 5 subsection (3) of this section or after the granting of a motion under
- 6 subsection (4) or (5) of this section, a criminal justice agency shall
- 7 respond to a public inquiry in the same manner as if there were no
- 8 criminal history record information and criminal history record
- 9 information shall not be disseminated to any person other than a criminal
- 10 justice agency, except as provided in subsection (2) of this section or
- 11 when the subject of the record:
- 12 (a) Is currently the subject of prosecution or correctional control
- 13 as the result of a separate arrest;
- 14 (b) Is currently an announced candidate for or holder of public
- 15 office;
- 16 (c) Has made a notarized request for the release of such record to a
- 17 specific person; or
- 18 (d) Is kept unidentified, and the record is used for purposes of
- 19 surveying or summarizing individual or collective law enforcement agency
- 20 activity or practices, or the dissemination is requested consisting only
- 21 of release of criminal history record information showing (i) dates of
- 22 arrests, (ii) reasons for arrests, and (iii) the nature of the
- 23 dispositions including, but not limited to, reasons for not prosecuting
- 24 the case or cases.
- 25 (2) That part of criminal history record information described in
- 26 subsection (6) (4) of this section may be disseminated to individuals and

AJC - 02/27/2018

agencies for the express purpose of research, evaluative, or statistical 1

- activities pursuant to an agreement with a criminal justice agency that 2
- 3 specifically authorizes access to the information, limits the use of the
- information to research, evaluative, or statistical activities, and 4
- 5 ensures the confidentiality and security of the information.
- 6 (3) Except as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section,
- 7 in the case of an arrest, citation in lieu of arrest, or referral for
- 8 prosecution without citation, all criminal history record information
- 9 relating to the case shall be removed from the public record as follows:
- (a) When no charges are filed as a result of the determination of 10
- 11 the prosecuting attorney, the criminal history record information shall
- 12 not be part of the public record after one year from the date of arrest,
- citation in lieu of arrest, or referral for prosecution without citation; 13
- 14 (b) When charges are not filed as a result of a completed diversion,
- 15 the criminal history record information shall not be part of the public
- record after two years from the date of arrest, citation in lieu of 16
- 17 arrest, or referral for prosecution without citation; and
- (c) When charges are filed, but the case is dismissed by the court 18
- (i) on motion of the prosecuting attorney, (ii) as a result of a hearing 19
- not the subject of a pending appeal, (iii) after acquittal, or (iv) after 20
- 21 completion of a program prescribed by a drug court or any other problem
- 22 solving court approved by the Supreme Court, the criminal history record
- 23 information shall not be part of the public record immediately upon
- 24 notification of a criminal justice agency after acquittal pursuant to
- subdivision (3)(c)(iii) of this section or after the entry of an order 25
- 26 dismissing the case.
- 27 (4) Upon the granting of a petition to set aside a conviction or
- adjudication pursuant to section 1 of this act, a person who is a victim 28
- 29 of sex trafficking, as defined in section 1 of this act, may file a
- 30 motion with the sentencing court for an order to seal the criminal
- history record information related to such conviction or adjudication. 31

AJC - 02/27/2018

- Upon a finding that a court issued an order setting aside such conviction 1
- 2 or adjudication pursuant to section 1 of this act, the sentencing court
- 3 shall grant the motion and issue an order as provided in subsection (6)
- 4 of this section.
- 5 (5) Any person who has received a pardon may file a motion with the
- 6 sentencing court for an order to seal the criminal history record
- 7 information and any cases related to such charges or conviction. Upon a
- finding that the person received a pardon, the court shall grant the 8
- 9 motion and issue an order as provided in subsection (6) of this section.
- (6) (4) Upon acquittal, or entry of an order dismissing a case 10
- 11 described in subdivision (3)(c) of this section, or after granting a
- 12 motion under subsection (4) or (5) of this section, the court shall:
- (a) Order that all records, including any information or other data 13
- 14 concerning any proceedings relating to the case, including the arrest,
- 15 taking into custody, petition, complaint, indictment, information, trial,
- hearing, adjudication, correctional supervision, dismissal, or other 16
- 17 disposition or sentence, are not part of the public record and shall not
- be disseminated to persons other than criminal justice agencies, except 18
- as provided in subsection (1) or (2) of this section; 19
- 20 (b) Send notice of the order (i) to the Nebraska Commission on Law
- 21 Enforcement and Criminal Justice, (ii) to the Nebraska State Patrol, and
- 22 (iii) to law enforcement agencies, county attorneys, and city attorneys
- 23 referenced in the court record;
- 24 (c) Order all parties notified under subdivision (6)(b) (4)(b) of
- this section to seal all records pertaining to the case; and 25
- 26 (d) If the case was transferred from one court to another, send
- 27 notice of the order to seal the record to the transferring court.
- (7) (5) In any application for employment, bonding, license, 28
- 29 education, or other right or privilege, any appearance as a witness, or
- 30 any other public inquiry, a person cannot be questioned with respect to
- any offense for which the record is sealed. If an inquiry is made in 31

AM2159 LB1132 AJC - 02/27/2018

1 violation of this subsection, the person may respond as if the offense

- 2 never occurred.
- 3 (8) (8) Any person arrested due to the error of a law enforcement
- 4 agency may file a petition with the district court for an order to
- 5 expunge the criminal history record information related to such error.
- 6 The petition shall be filed in the district court of the county in which
- 7 the petitioner was arrested. The county attorney shall be named as the
- 8 respondent and shall be served with a copy of the petition. The court may
- 9 grant the petition and issue an order to expunge such information if the
- 10 petitioner shows by clear and convincing evidence that the arrest was due
- 11 to error by the arresting law enforcement agency.
- 12 (9) The changes made to this section by Laws 2016, LB505 shall be
- 13 retroactive in application and shall apply to all persons, otherwise
- 14 <u>eligible in accordance with the provisions of this section, whether</u>
- 15 <u>arrested</u>, cited in lieu of arrest, referred for prosecution without
- 16 <u>citation</u>, <u>charged</u>, <u>or convicted prior to</u>, <u>on</u>, <u>or subsequent to the</u>
- 17 <u>effective date of this act.</u>
- 18 (10) The changes made to this section by this legislative bill shall
- 19 be retroactive in application and shall apply to all persons, otherwise
- 20 <u>eligible in accordance with the provisions of this section, whether</u>
- 21 <u>convicted or adjudicated prior to, on, or subsequent to the effective</u>
- 22 <u>date of this act.</u>