

1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Criminal Identification Act is amended by
5 changing Sections 5.2 and 13 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2630/5.2)

7 Sec. 5.2. Expungement and sealing.

8 (a) General Provisions.

9 (1) Definitions. In this Act, words and phrases have
10 the meanings set forth in this subsection, except when a
11 particular context clearly requires a different meaning.

12 (A) The following terms shall have the meanings
13 ascribed to them in the Unified Code of Corrections,
14 730 ILCS 5/5-1-2 through 5/5-1-22:

15 (i) Business Offense (730 ILCS 5/5-1-2),

16 (ii) Charge (730 ILCS 5/5-1-3),

17 (iii) Court (730 ILCS 5/5-1-6),

18 (iv) Defendant (730 ILCS 5/5-1-7),

19 (v) Felony (730 ILCS 5/5-1-9),

20 (vi) Imprisonment (730 ILCS 5/5-1-10),

21 (vii) Judgment (730 ILCS 5/5-1-12),

22 (viii) Misdemeanor (730 ILCS 5/5-1-14),

23 (ix) Offense (730 ILCS 5/5-1-15),

- 1 (x) Parole (730 ILCS 5/5-1-16),
2 (xi) Petty Offense (730 ILCS 5/5-1-17),
3 (xii) Probation (730 ILCS 5/5-1-18),
4 (xiii) Sentence (730 ILCS 5/5-1-19),
5 (xiv) Supervision (730 ILCS 5/5-1-21), and
6 (xv) Victim (730 ILCS 5/5-1-22).

7 (B) As used in this Section, "charge not initiated
8 by arrest" means a charge (as defined by 730 ILCS
9 5/5-1-3) brought against a defendant where the
10 defendant is not arrested prior to or as a direct
11 result of the charge.

12 (C) "Conviction" means a judgment of conviction or
13 sentence entered upon a plea of guilty or upon a
14 verdict or finding of guilty of an offense, rendered by
15 a legally constituted jury or by a court of competent
16 jurisdiction authorized to try the case without a jury.
17 An order of supervision successfully completed by the
18 petitioner is not a conviction. An order of qualified
19 probation (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(J))
20 successfully completed by the petitioner is not a
21 conviction. An order of supervision or an order of
22 qualified probation that is terminated
23 unsatisfactorily is a conviction, unless the
24 unsatisfactory termination is reversed, vacated, or
25 modified and the judgment of conviction, if any, is
26 reversed or vacated.

1 (D) "Criminal offense" means a petty offense,
2 business offense, misdemeanor, felony, or municipal
3 ordinance violation (as defined in subsection
4 (a)(1)(H)). As used in this Section, a minor traffic
5 offense (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(G)) shall not
6 be considered a criminal offense.

7 (E) "Expunge" means to physically destroy the
8 records or return them to the petitioner and to
9 obliterate the petitioner's name from any official
10 index or public record, or both. Nothing in this Act
11 shall require the physical destruction of the circuit
12 court file, but such records relating to arrests or
13 charges, or both, ordered expunged shall be impounded
14 as required by subsections (d)(9)(A)(ii) and
15 (d)(9)(B)(ii).

16 (F) As used in this Section, "last sentence" means
17 the sentence, order of supervision, or order of
18 qualified probation (as defined by subsection
19 (a)(1)(J)), for a criminal offense (as defined by
20 subsection (a)(1)(D)) that terminates last in time in
21 any jurisdiction, regardless of whether the petitioner
22 has included the criminal offense for which the
23 sentence or order of supervision or qualified
24 probation was imposed in his or her petition. If
25 multiple sentences, orders of supervision, or orders
26 of qualified probation terminate on the same day and

1 are last in time, they shall be collectively considered
2 the "last sentence" regardless of whether they were
3 ordered to run concurrently.

4 (G) "Minor traffic offense" means a petty offense,
5 business offense, or Class C misdemeanor under the
6 Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a
7 municipal or local ordinance.

8 (H) "Municipal ordinance violation" means an
9 offense defined by a municipal or local ordinance that
10 is criminal in nature and with which the petitioner was
11 charged or for which the petitioner was arrested and
12 released without charging.

13 (I) "Petitioner" means an adult or a minor
14 prosecuted as an adult who has applied for relief under
15 this Section.

16 (J) "Qualified probation" means an order of
17 probation under Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act,
18 Section 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act,
19 Section 70 of the Methamphetamine Control and
20 Community Protection Act, Section 12-4.3(b) (1) and (2)
21 of the Criminal Code of 1961 (as those provisions
22 existed before their deletion by Public Act 89-313),
23 Section 10-102 of the Illinois Alcoholism and Other
24 Drug Dependency Act, Section 40-10 of the Alcoholism
25 and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency Act, or Section 10
26 of the Steroid Control Act. For the purpose of this

1 Section, "successful completion" of an order of
2 qualified probation under Section 10-102 of the
3 Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act and
4 Section 40-10 of the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse
5 and Dependency Act means that the probation was
6 terminated satisfactorily and the judgment of
7 conviction was vacated.

8 (K) "Seal" means to physically and electronically
9 maintain the records, unless the records would
10 otherwise be destroyed due to age, but to make the
11 records unavailable without a court order, subject to
12 the exceptions in Sections 12 and 13 of this Act. The
13 petitioner's name shall also be obliterated from the
14 official index required to be kept by the circuit court
15 clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but
16 any index issued by the circuit court clerk before the
17 entry of the order to seal shall not be affected.

18 (L) "Sexual offense committed against a minor"
19 includes but is not limited to the offenses of indecent
20 solicitation of a child or criminal sexual abuse when
21 the victim of such offense is under 18 years of age.

22 (M) "Terminate" as it relates to a sentence or
23 order of supervision or qualified probation includes
24 either satisfactory or unsatisfactory termination of
25 the sentence, unless otherwise specified in this
26 Section.

1 (2) Minor Traffic Offenses. Orders of supervision or
2 convictions for minor traffic offenses shall not affect a
3 petitioner's eligibility to expunge or seal records
4 pursuant to this Section.

5 (3) Exclusions. Except as otherwise provided in
6 subsections (b) (5), (b) (6), ~~and (e)~~, and (e-5) of this
7 Section, the court shall not order:

8 (A) the sealing or expungement of the records of
9 arrests or charges not initiated by arrest that result
10 in an order of supervision for or conviction of: (i)
11 any sexual offense committed against a minor; (ii)
12 Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a
13 similar provision of a local ordinance; or (iii)
14 Section 11-503 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a
15 similar provision of a local ordinance.

16 (B) the sealing or expungement of records of minor
17 traffic offenses (as defined in subsection (a) (1) (G)),
18 unless the petitioner was arrested and released
19 without charging.

20 (C) the sealing of the records of arrests or
21 charges not initiated by arrest which result in an
22 order of supervision, an order of qualified probation
23 (as defined in subsection (a) (1) (J)), or a conviction
24 for the following offenses:

25 (i) offenses included in Article 11 of the
26 Criminal Code of 1961 or a similar provision of a

1 local ordinance, except Section 11-14 of the
2 Criminal Code of 1961 or a similar provision of a
3 local ordinance;

4 (ii) Section 11-1.50, 12-3.4, 12-15, 12-30, or
5 26-5 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or a similar
6 provision of a local ordinance;

7 (iii) offenses defined as "crimes of violence"
8 in Section 2 of the Crime Victims Compensation Act
9 or a similar provision of a local ordinance;

10 (iv) offenses which are Class A misdemeanors
11 under the Humane Care for Animals Act; or

12 (v) any offense or attempted offense that
13 would subject a person to registration under the
14 Sex Offender Registration Act.

15 (D) the sealing of the records of an arrest which
16 results in the petitioner being charged with a felony
17 offense or records of a charge not initiated by arrest
18 for a felony offense unless:

19 (i) the charge is amended to a misdemeanor and
20 is otherwise eligible to be sealed pursuant to
21 subsection (c);

22 (ii) the charge is brought along with another
23 charge as a part of one case and the charge results
24 in acquittal, dismissal, or conviction when the
25 conviction was reversed or vacated, and another
26 charge brought in the same case results in a

1 disposition for a misdemeanor offense that is
2 eligible to be sealed pursuant to subsection (c) or
3 a disposition listed in paragraph (i), (iii), or
4 (iv) of this subsection;

5 (iii) the charge results in first offender
6 probation as set forth in subsection (c) (2) (E);

7 (iv) the charge is for a Class 4 felony offense
8 listed in subsection (c) (2) (F) or the charge is
9 amended to a Class 4 felony offense listed in
10 subsection (c) (2) (F). Records of arrests which
11 result in the petitioner being charged with a Class
12 4 felony offense listed in subsection (c) (2) (F),
13 records of charges not initiated by arrest for
14 Class 4 felony offenses listed in subsection
15 (c) (2) (F), and records of charges amended to a
16 Class 4 felony offense listed in (c) (2) (F) may be
17 sealed, regardless of the disposition, subject to
18 any waiting periods set forth in subsection
19 (c) (3);

20 (v) the charge results in acquittal,
21 dismissal, or the petitioner's release without
22 conviction; or

23 (vi) the charge results in a conviction, but
24 the conviction was reversed or vacated.

25 (b) Expungement.

26 (1) A petitioner may petition the circuit court to

1 expunge the records of his or her arrests and charges not
2 initiated by arrest when:

3 (A) He or she has never been convicted of a
4 criminal offense; and

5 (B) Each arrest or charge not initiated by arrest
6 sought to be expunged resulted in: (i) acquittal,
7 dismissal, or the petitioner's release without
8 charging, unless excluded by subsection (a)(3)(B);
9 (ii) a conviction which was vacated or reversed, unless
10 excluded by subsection (a)(3)(B); (iii) an order of
11 supervision and such supervision was successfully
12 completed by the petitioner, unless excluded by
13 subsection (a)(3)(A) or (a)(3)(B); or (iv) an order of
14 qualified probation (as defined in subsection
15 (a)(1)(J)) and such probation was successfully
16 completed by the petitioner.

17 (2) Time frame for filing a petition to expunge.

18 (A) When the arrest or charge not initiated by
19 arrest sought to be expunged resulted in an acquittal,
20 dismissal, the petitioner's release without charging,
21 or the reversal or vacation of a conviction, there is
22 no waiting period to petition for the expungement of
23 such records.

24 (B) When the arrest or charge not initiated by
25 arrest sought to be expunged resulted in an order of
26 supervision, successfully completed by the petitioner,

1 the following time frames will apply:

2 (i) Those arrests or charges that resulted in
3 orders of supervision under Section 3-707, 3-708,
4 3-710, or 5-401.3 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a
5 similar provision of a local ordinance, or under
6 Section 11-1.50, 12-3.2, or 12-15 of the Criminal
7 Code of 1961 or a similar provision of a local
8 ordinance, shall not be eligible for expungement
9 until 5 years have passed following the
10 satisfactory termination of the supervision.

11 (ii) Those arrests or charges that resulted in
12 orders of supervision for any other offenses shall
13 not be eligible for expungement until 2 years have
14 passed following the satisfactory termination of
15 the supervision.

16 (C) When the arrest or charge not initiated by
17 arrest sought to be expunged resulted in an order of
18 qualified probation, successfully completed by the
19 petitioner, such records shall not be eligible for
20 expungement until 5 years have passed following the
21 satisfactory termination of the probation.

22 (3) Those records maintained by the Department for
23 persons arrested prior to their 17th birthday shall be
24 expunged as provided in Section 5-915 of the Juvenile Court
25 Act of 1987.

26 (4) Whenever a person has been arrested for or

1 convicted of any offense, in the name of a person whose
2 identity he or she has stolen or otherwise come into
3 possession of, the aggrieved person from whom the identity
4 was stolen or otherwise obtained without authorization,
5 upon learning of the person having been arrested using his
6 or her identity, may, upon verified petition to the chief
7 judge of the circuit wherein the arrest was made, have a
8 court order entered nunc pro tunc by the Chief Judge to
9 correct the arrest record, conviction record, if any, and
10 all official records of the arresting authority, the
11 Department, other criminal justice agencies, the
12 prosecutor, and the trial court concerning such arrest, if
13 any, by removing his or her name from all such records in
14 connection with the arrest and conviction, if any, and by
15 inserting in the records the name of the offender, if known
16 or ascertainable, in lieu of the aggrieved's name. The
17 records of the circuit court clerk shall be sealed until
18 further order of the court upon good cause shown and the
19 name of the aggrieved person obliterated on the official
20 index required to be kept by the circuit court clerk under
21 Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but the order shall
22 not affect any index issued by the circuit court clerk
23 before the entry of the order. Nothing in this Section
24 shall limit the Department of State Police or other
25 criminal justice agencies or prosecutors from listing
26 under an offender's name the false names he or she has

1 used.

2 (5) Whenever a person has been convicted of criminal
3 sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual assault,
4 predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, criminal
5 sexual abuse, or aggravated criminal sexual abuse, the
6 victim of that offense may request that the State's
7 Attorney of the county in which the conviction occurred
8 file a verified petition with the presiding trial judge at
9 the petitioner's trial to have a court order entered to
10 seal the records of the circuit court clerk in connection
11 with the proceedings of the trial court concerning that
12 offense. However, the records of the arresting authority
13 and the Department of State Police concerning the offense
14 shall not be sealed. The court, upon good cause shown,
15 shall make the records of the circuit court clerk in
16 connection with the proceedings of the trial court
17 concerning the offense available for public inspection.

18 (6) If a conviction has been set aside on direct review
19 or on collateral attack and the court determines by clear
20 and convincing evidence that the petitioner was factually
21 innocent of the charge, the court shall enter an
22 expungement order as provided in subsection (b) of Section
23 5-5-4 of the Unified Code of Corrections.

24 (7) Nothing in this Section shall prevent the
25 Department of State Police from maintaining all records of
26 any person who is admitted to probation upon terms and

1 conditions and who fulfills those terms and conditions
2 pursuant to Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, Section
3 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, Section 70
4 of the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection
5 Act, Section 12-4.3 or subdivision (b)(1) of Section
6 12-3.05 of the Criminal Code of 1961, Section 10-102 of the
7 Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act, Section
8 40-10 of the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency
9 Act, or Section 10 of the Steroid Control Act.

10 (c) Sealing.

11 (1) Applicability. Notwithstanding any other provision
12 of this Act to the contrary, and cumulative with any rights
13 to expungement of criminal records, this subsection
14 authorizes the sealing of criminal records of adults and of
15 minors prosecuted as adults.

16 (2) Eligible Records. The following records may be
17 sealed:

18 (A) All arrests resulting in release without
19 charging;

20 (B) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
21 resulting in acquittal, dismissal, or conviction when
22 the conviction was reversed or vacated, except as
23 excluded by subsection (a)(3)(B);

24 (C) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
25 resulting in orders of supervision successfully
26 completed by the petitioner, unless excluded by

1 subsection (a) (3);

2 (D) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
3 resulting in convictions unless excluded by subsection
4 (a) (3);

5 (E) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
6 resulting in orders of first offender probation under
7 Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, Section 410 of
8 the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, or Section 70
9 of the Methamphetamine Control and Community
10 Protection Act; and

11 (F) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
12 resulting in Class 4 felony convictions for the
13 following offenses:

14 (i) Section 11-14 of the Criminal Code of 1961;

15 (ii) Section 4 of the Cannabis Control Act;

16 (iii) Section 402 of the Illinois Controlled
17 Substances Act;

18 (iv) the Methamphetamine Precursor Control
19 Act; and

20 (v) the Steroid Control Act.

21 (3) When Records Are Eligible to Be Sealed. Records
22 identified as eligible under subsection (c) (2) may be
23 sealed as follows:

24 (A) Records identified as eligible under
25 subsection (c) (2) (A) and (c) (2) (B) may be sealed at any
26 time.

1 (B) Records identified as eligible under
2 subsection (c)(2)(C) may be sealed (i) 3 years after
3 the termination of petitioner's last sentence (as
4 defined in subsection (a)(1)(F)) if the petitioner has
5 never been convicted of a criminal offense (as defined
6 in subsection (a)(1)(D)); or (ii) 4 years after the
7 termination of the petitioner's last sentence (as
8 defined in subsection (a)(1)(F)) if the petitioner has
9 ever been convicted of a criminal offense (as defined
10 in subsection (a)(1)(D)).

11 (C) Records identified as eligible under
12 subsections (c)(2)(D), (c)(2)(E), and (c)(2)(F) may be
13 sealed 4 years after the termination of the
14 petitioner's last sentence (as defined in subsection
15 (a)(1)(F)).

16 (4) Subsequent felony convictions. A person may not
17 have subsequent felony conviction records sealed as
18 provided in this subsection (c) if he or she is convicted
19 of any felony offense after the date of the sealing of
20 prior felony convictions as provided in this subsection
21 (c). The court may, upon conviction for a subsequent felony
22 offense, order the unsealing of prior felony conviction
23 records previously ordered sealed by the court.

24 (5) Notice of eligibility for sealing. Upon entry of a
25 disposition for an eligible record under this subsection
26 (c), the petitioner shall be informed by the court of the

1 right to have the records sealed and the procedures for the
2 sealing of the records.

3 (d) Procedure. The following procedures apply to
4 expungement under subsections (b) and (e), and sealing under
5 subsections ~~subsection~~ (c) and (e-5):

6 (1) Filing the petition. Upon becoming eligible to
7 petition for the expungement or sealing of records under
8 this Section, the petitioner shall file a petition
9 requesting the expungement or sealing of records with the
10 clerk of the court where the arrests occurred or the
11 charges were brought, or both. If arrests occurred or
12 charges were brought in multiple jurisdictions, a petition
13 must be filed in each such jurisdiction. The petitioner
14 shall pay the applicable fee, if not waived.

15 (2) Contents of petition. The petition shall be
16 verified and shall contain the petitioner's name, date of
17 birth, current address and, for each arrest or charge not
18 initiated by arrest sought to be sealed or expunged, the
19 case number, the date of arrest (if any), the identity of
20 the arresting authority, and such other information as the
21 court may require. During the pendency of the proceeding,
22 the petitioner shall promptly notify the circuit court
23 clerk of any change of his or her address. If the
24 petitioner has received a certificate of eligibility for
25 sealing from the Prisoner Review Board under paragraph (10)
26 of subsection (a) of Section 3-3-2 of the Unified Code of

1 Corrections, the certificate shall be attached to the
2 petition.

3 (3) Drug test. The petitioner must attach to the
4 petition proof that the petitioner has passed a test taken
5 within 30 days before the filing of the petition showing
6 the absence within his or her body of all illegal
7 substances as defined by the Illinois Controlled
8 Substances Act, the Methamphetamine Control and Community
9 Protection Act, and the Cannabis Control Act if he or she
10 is petitioning to seal felony records pursuant to clause
11 (c) (2) (E) ~~, or~~ (c) (2) (F) (ii)-(v) , or (e-5) or if he or she
12 is petitioning to expunge felony records of a qualified
13 probation pursuant to clause (b) (1) (B) (iv).

14 (4) Service of petition. The circuit court clerk shall
15 promptly serve a copy of the petition on the State's
16 Attorney or prosecutor charged with the duty of prosecuting
17 the offense, the Department of State Police, the arresting
18 agency and the chief legal officer of the unit of local
19 government effecting the arrest.

20 (5) Objections.

21 (A) Any party entitled to notice of the petition
22 may file an objection to the petition. All objections
23 shall be in writing, shall be filed with the circuit
24 court clerk, and shall state with specificity the basis
25 of the objection.

26 (B) Objections to a petition to expunge or seal

1 must be filed within 60 days of the date of service of
2 the petition.

3 (6) Entry of order.

4 (A) The Chief Judge of the circuit wherein the
5 charge was brought, any judge of that circuit
6 designated by the Chief Judge, or in counties of less
7 than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the presiding trial judge
8 at the petitioner's trial, if any, shall rule on the
9 petition to expunge or seal as set forth in this
10 subsection (d) (6).

11 (B) Unless the State's Attorney or prosecutor, the
12 Department of State Police, the arresting agency, or
13 the chief legal officer files an objection to the
14 petition to expunge or seal within 60 days from the
15 date of service of the petition, the court shall enter
16 an order granting or denying the petition.

17 (7) Hearings. If an objection is filed, the court shall
18 set a date for a hearing and notify the petitioner and all
19 parties entitled to notice of the petition of the hearing
20 date at least 30 days prior to the hearing, and shall hear
21 evidence on whether the petition should or should not be
22 granted, and shall grant or deny the petition to expunge or
23 seal the records based on the evidence presented at the
24 hearing.

25 (8) Service of order. After entering an order to
26 expunge or seal records, the court must provide copies of

1 the order to the Department, in a form and manner
2 prescribed by the Department, to the petitioner, to the
3 State's Attorney or prosecutor charged with the duty of
4 prosecuting the offense, to the arresting agency, to the
5 chief legal officer of the unit of local government
6 effecting the arrest, and to such other criminal justice
7 agencies as may be ordered by the court.

8 (9) Effect of order.

9 (A) Upon entry of an order to expunge records
10 pursuant to (b) (2) (A) or (b) (2) (B) (ii), or both:

11 (i) the records shall be expunged (as defined
12 in subsection (a) (1) (E)) by the arresting agency,
13 the Department, and any other agency as ordered by
14 the court, within 60 days of the date of service of
15 the order, unless a motion to vacate, modify, or
16 reconsider the order is filed pursuant to
17 paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of this Section;

18 (ii) the records of the circuit court clerk
19 shall be impounded until further order of the court
20 upon good cause shown and the name of the
21 petitioner obliterated on the official index
22 required to be kept by the circuit court clerk
23 under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but
24 the order shall not affect any index issued by the
25 circuit court clerk before the entry of the order;
26 and

1 (iii) in response to an inquiry for expunged
2 records, the court, the Department, or the agency
3 receiving such inquiry, shall reply as it does in
4 response to inquiries when no records ever
5 existed.

6 (B) Upon entry of an order to expunge records
7 pursuant to (b) (2) (B) (i) or (b) (2) (C), or both:

8 (i) the records shall be expunged (as defined
9 in subsection (a) (1) (E)) by the arresting agency
10 and any other agency as ordered by the court,
11 within 60 days of the date of service of the order,
12 unless a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider
13 the order is filed pursuant to paragraph (12) of
14 subsection (d) of this Section;

15 (ii) the records of the circuit court clerk
16 shall be impounded until further order of the court
17 upon good cause shown and the name of the
18 petitioner obliterated on the official index
19 required to be kept by the circuit court clerk
20 under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but
21 the order shall not affect any index issued by the
22 circuit court clerk before the entry of the order;

23 (iii) the records shall be impounded by the
24 Department within 60 days of the date of service of
25 the order as ordered by the court, unless a motion
26 to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order is filed

1 pursuant to paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of
2 this Section;

3 (iv) records impounded by the Department may
4 be disseminated by the Department only as required
5 by law or to the arresting authority, the State's
6 Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for the
7 same or a similar offense or for the purpose of
8 sentencing for any subsequent felony, and to the
9 Department of Corrections upon conviction for any
10 offense; and

11 (v) in response to an inquiry for such records
12 from anyone not authorized by law to access such
13 records the court, the Department, or the agency
14 receiving such inquiry shall reply as it does in
15 response to inquiries when no records ever
16 existed.

17 (C) Upon entry of an order to seal records under
18 subsection (c), the arresting agency, any other agency
19 as ordered by the court, the Department, and the court
20 shall seal the records (as defined in subsection
21 (a) (1) (K)). In response to an inquiry for such records
22 from anyone not authorized by law to access such
23 records the court, the Department, or the agency
24 receiving such inquiry shall reply as it does in
25 response to inquiries when no records ever existed.

26 (10) Fees. The Department may charge the petitioner a

1 fee equivalent to the cost of processing any order to
2 expunge or seal records. Notwithstanding any provision of
3 the Clerks of Courts Act to the contrary, the circuit court
4 clerk may charge a fee equivalent to the cost associated
5 with the sealing or expungement of records by the circuit
6 court clerk. From the total filing fee collected for the
7 petition to seal or expunge, the circuit court clerk shall
8 deposit \$10 into the Circuit Court Clerk Operation and
9 Administrative Fund, to be used to offset the costs
10 incurred by the circuit court clerk in performing the
11 additional duties required to serve the petition to seal or
12 expunge on all parties. The circuit court clerk shall
13 collect and forward the Department of State Police portion
14 of the fee to the Department and it shall be deposited in
15 the State Police Services Fund.

16 (11) Final Order. No court order issued under the
17 expungement or sealing provisions of this Section shall
18 become final for purposes of appeal until 30 days after
19 service of the order on the petitioner and all parties
20 entitled to notice of the petition.

21 (12) Motion to Vacate, Modify, or Reconsider. The
22 petitioner or any party entitled to notice may file a
23 motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order granting
24 or denying the petition to expunge or seal within 60 days
25 of service of the order.

26 (e) Whenever a person who has been convicted of an offense

1 is granted a pardon by the Governor which specifically
2 authorizes expungement, he or she may, upon verified petition
3 to the Chief Judge of the circuit where the person had been
4 convicted, any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief
5 Judge, or in counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the
6 presiding trial judge at the defendant's trial, have a court
7 order entered expunging the record of arrest from the official
8 records of the arresting authority and order that the records
9 of the circuit court clerk and the Department be sealed until
10 further order of the court upon good cause shown or as
11 otherwise provided herein, and the name of the defendant
12 obliterated from the official index requested to be kept by the
13 circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts
14 Act in connection with the arrest and conviction for the
15 offense for which he or she had been pardoned but the order
16 shall not affect any index issued by the circuit court clerk
17 before the entry of the order. All records sealed by the
18 Department may be disseminated by the Department only as
19 required by law or to the arresting authority, the State's
20 Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for the same or
21 similar offense or for the purpose of sentencing for any
22 subsequent felony. Upon conviction for any subsequent offense,
23 the Department of Corrections shall have access to all sealed
24 records of the Department pertaining to that individual. Upon
25 entry of the order of expungement, the circuit court clerk
26 shall promptly mail a copy of the order to the person who was

1 pardoned.

2 (e-5) Whenever a person who has been convicted of an
3 offense is granted a certificate of eligibility for sealing by
4 the Prisoner Review Board which specifically authorizes
5 sealing, he or she may, upon verified petition to the Chief
6 Judge of the circuit where the person had been convicted, any
7 judge of the circuit designated by the Chief Judge, or in
8 counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the presiding
9 trial judge at the petitioner's trial, have a court order
10 entered sealing the record of arrest from the official records
11 of the arresting authority and order that the records of the
12 circuit court clerk and the Department be sealed until further
13 order of the court upon good cause shown or as otherwise
14 provided herein, and the name of the petitioner obliterated
15 from the official index requested to be kept by the circuit
16 court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act in
17 connection with the arrest and conviction for the offense for
18 which he or she had been granted the certificate but the order
19 shall not affect any index issued by the circuit court clerk
20 before the entry of the order. All records sealed by the
21 Department may be disseminated by the Department only as
22 required by this Act or to the arresting authority, a law
23 enforcement agency, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a
24 later arrest for the same or similar offense or for the purpose
25 of sentencing for any subsequent felony. Upon conviction for
26 any subsequent offense, the Department of Corrections shall

1 have access to all sealed records of the Department pertaining
2 to that individual. Upon entry of the order of sealing, the
3 circuit court clerk shall promptly mail a copy of the order to
4 the person who was granted the certificate of eligibility for
5 sealing.

6 (f) Subject to available funding, the Illinois Department
7 of Corrections shall conduct a study of the impact of sealing,
8 especially on employment and recidivism rates, utilizing a
9 random sample of those who apply for the sealing of their
10 criminal records under Public Act 93-211. At the request of the
11 Illinois Department of Corrections, records of the Illinois
12 Department of Employment Security shall be utilized as
13 appropriate to assist in the study. The study shall not
14 disclose any data in a manner that would allow the
15 identification of any particular individual or employing unit.
16 The study shall be made available to the General Assembly no
17 later than September 1, 2010.

18 (Source: P.A. 96-409, eff. 1-1-10; 96-1401, eff. 7-29-10;
19 96-1532, eff. 1-1-12; 96-1551, Article 1, Section 905, eff.
20 7-1-11; 96-1551, Article 2, Section 925, eff. 7-1-11; 97-443,
21 eff. 8-19-11; revised 9-6-11.)

22 (20 ILCS 2630/13)

23 Sec. 13. Retention and release of sealed records.

24 (a) The Department of State Police shall retain records
25 sealed under subsection (c) ~~, or~~ (e) , or (e-5) of Section 5.2 or

1 impounded under subparagraph (B) of paragraph (9) of subsection
2 (d) of Section 5.2 and shall release them only as authorized by
3 this Act. Felony records sealed under subsection (c) ~~or~~ (e) ~~or~~
4 or (e-5) of Section 5.2 or impounded under subparagraph (B) of
5 paragraph (9) of subsection (d) of Section 5.2 shall be used
6 and disseminated by the Department only as otherwise
7 specifically required or authorized by a federal or State law,
8 rule, or regulation that requires inquiry into and release of
9 criminal records, including, but not limited to, subsection (A)
10 of Section 3 of this Act. However, all requests for records
11 that have been expunged, sealed, and impounded and the use of
12 those records are subject to the provisions of Section 2-103 of
13 the Illinois Human Rights Act. Upon conviction for any offense,
14 the Department of Corrections shall have access to all sealed
15 records of the Department pertaining to that individual.

16 (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, all sealed or impounded
17 records are subject to inspection and use by the court and
18 inspection and use by law enforcement agencies and State's
19 Attorneys or other prosecutors in carrying out the duties of
20 their offices.

21 (c) The sealed or impounded records maintained under
22 subsection (a) are exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of
23 Information Act.

24 (d) The Department of State Police shall commence the
25 sealing of records of felony arrests and felony convictions
26 pursuant to the provisions of subsection (c) of Section 5.2 of

1 this Act no later than one year from the date that funds have
2 been made available for purposes of establishing the
3 technologies necessary to implement the changes made by this
4 amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

5 (Source: P.A. 96-409, eff. 1-1-10; 96-1401, eff. 7-29-10.)

6 Section 10. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by
7 changing Section 3-3-2 as follows:

8 (730 ILCS 5/3-3-2) (from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-2)

9 Sec. 3-3-2. Powers and Duties.

10 (a) The Parole and Pardon Board is abolished and the term
11 "Parole and Pardon Board" as used in any law of Illinois, shall
12 read "Prisoner Review Board." After the effective date of this
13 amendatory Act of 1977, the Prisoner Review Board shall provide
14 by rule for the orderly transition of all files, records, and
15 documents of the Parole and Pardon Board and for such other
16 steps as may be necessary to effect an orderly transition and
17 shall:

18 (1) hear by at least one member and through a panel of
19 at least 3 members decide, cases of prisoners who were
20 sentenced under the law in effect prior to the effective
21 date of this amendatory Act of 1977, and who are eligible
22 for parole;

23 (2) hear by at least one member and through a panel of
24 at least 3 members decide, the conditions of parole and the

1 time of discharge from parole, impose sanctions for
2 violations of parole, and revoke parole for those sentenced
3 under the law in effect prior to this amendatory Act of
4 1977; provided that the decision to parole and the
5 conditions of parole for all prisoners who were sentenced
6 for first degree murder or who received a minimum sentence
7 of 20 years or more under the law in effect prior to
8 February 1, 1978 shall be determined by a majority vote of
9 the Prisoner Review Board. One representative supporting
10 parole and one representative opposing parole will be
11 allowed to speak. Their comments shall be limited to making
12 corrections and filling in omissions to the Board's
13 presentation and discussion;

14 (3) hear by at least one member and through a panel of
15 at least 3 members decide, the conditions of mandatory
16 supervised release and the time of discharge from mandatory
17 supervised release, impose sanctions for violations of
18 mandatory supervised release, and revoke mandatory
19 supervised release for those sentenced under the law in
20 effect after the effective date of this amendatory Act of
21 1977;

22 (3.5) hear by at least one member and through a panel
23 of at least 3 members decide, the conditions of mandatory
24 supervised release and the time of discharge from mandatory
25 supervised release, to impose sanctions for violations of
26 mandatory supervised release and revoke mandatory

1 supervised release for those serving extended supervised
2 release terms pursuant to paragraph (4) of subsection (d)
3 of Section 5-8-1;

4 (4) hear by at least 1 member and through a panel of at
5 least 3 members, decide cases brought by the Department of
6 Corrections against a prisoner in the custody of the
7 Department for alleged violation of Department rules with
8 respect to good conduct credits pursuant to Section 3-6-3
9 of this Code in which the Department seeks to revoke good
10 conduct credits, if the amount of time at issue exceeds 30
11 days or when, during any 12 month period, the cumulative
12 amount of credit revoked exceeds 30 days except where the
13 infraction is committed or discovered within 60 days of
14 scheduled release. In such cases, the Department of
15 Corrections may revoke up to 30 days of good conduct
16 credit. The Board may subsequently approve the revocation
17 of additional good conduct credit, if the Department seeks
18 to revoke good conduct credit in excess of thirty days.
19 However, the Board shall not be empowered to review the
20 Department's decision with respect to the loss of 30 days
21 of good conduct credit for any prisoner or to increase any
22 penalty beyond the length requested by the Department;

23 (5) hear by at least one member and through a panel of
24 at least 3 members decide, the release dates for certain
25 prisoners sentenced under the law in existence prior to the
26 effective date of this amendatory Act of 1977, in

1 accordance with Section 3-3-2.1 of this Code;

2 (6) hear by at least one member and through a panel of
3 at least 3 members decide, all requests for pardon,
4 reprieve or commutation, and make confidential
5 recommendations to the Governor;

6 (7) comply with the requirements of the Open Parole
7 Hearings Act;

8 (8) hear by at least one member and, through a panel of
9 at least 3 members, decide cases brought by the Department
10 of Corrections against a prisoner in the custody of the
11 Department for court dismissal of a frivolous lawsuit
12 pursuant to Section 3-6-3(d) of this Code in which the
13 Department seeks to revoke up to 180 days of good conduct
14 credit, and if the prisoner has not accumulated 180 days of
15 good conduct credit at the time of the dismissal, then all
16 good conduct credit accumulated by the prisoner shall be
17 revoked; ~~and~~

18 (9) hear by at least 3 members, and, through a panel of
19 at least 3 members, decide whether to grant certificates of
20 relief from disabilities or certificates of good conduct as
21 provided in Article 5.5 of Chapter V; ~~and~~

22 (10) upon a petition by a person who has been convicted
23 of a Class 3 or Class 4 felony and who meets the
24 requirements of this paragraph, hear by at least 3 members
25 and, with the unanimous vote of a panel of 3 members, issue
26 a certificate of eligibility for sealing recommending that

1 the court order the sealing of all official records of the
2 arresting authority, the circuit court clerk, and the
3 Department of State Police concerning the arrest and
4 conviction for the Class 3 or 4 felony. A person may not
5 apply to the Board for a certificate of eligibility for
6 sealing:

7 (A) until 5 years have elapsed since the expiration
8 of his or her sentence;

9 (B) until 5 years have elapsed since any arrests or
10 detentions by a law enforcement officer for an alleged
11 violation of law, other than a petty offense, traffic
12 offense, conservation offense, or local ordinance
13 offense;

14 (C) if convicted of a violation of the Cannabis
15 Control Act, Illinois Controlled Substances Act, the
16 Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act,
17 the Methamphetamine Precursor Control Act, or the
18 Methamphetamine Precursor Tracking Act unless the
19 petitioner has completed a drug abuse program for the
20 offense on which sealing is sought and provides proof
21 that he or she has completed the program successfully;

22 (D) if convicted of:

23 (i) a sex offense described in Article 11 or
24 Sections 12-13, 12-14, 12-14.1, 12-15, or 12-16 of
25 the Criminal Code of 1961;

26 (ii) aggravated assault;

1 (iii) aggravated battery;

2 (iv) domestic battery;

3 (v) aggravated domestic battery;

4 (vi) violation of an order of protection;

5 (vii) an offense under the Criminal Code of
6 1961 involving a firearm;

7 (viii) driving while under the influence of
8 alcohol, other drug or drugs, intoxicating
9 compound or compounds or any combination thereof;

10 (ix) aggravated driving while under the
11 influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs,
12 intoxicating compound or compounds or any
13 combination thereof; or

14 (x) any crime defined as a crime of violence
15 under Section 2 of the Crime Victims Compensation
16 Act.

17 If a person has applied to the Board for a certificate of
18 eligibility for sealing and the Board denies the certificate,
19 the person must wait at least 4 years before filing again or
20 filing for pardon from the Governor unless the Chairman of the
21 Prisoner Review Board grants a waiver.

22 The decision to issue or refrain from issuing a certificate
23 of eligibility for sealing shall be at the Board's sole
24 discretion, and shall not give rise to any cause of action
25 against either the Board or its members.

26 (a-5) The Prisoner Review Board, with the cooperation of

1 and in coordination with the Department of Corrections and the
2 Department of Central Management Services, shall implement a
3 pilot project in 3 correctional institutions providing for the
4 conduct of hearings under paragraphs (1) and (4) of subsection
5 (a) of this Section through interactive video conferences. The
6 project shall be implemented within 6 months after the
7 effective date of this amendatory Act of 1996. Within 6 months
8 after the implementation of the pilot project, the Prisoner
9 Review Board, with the cooperation of and in coordination with
10 the Department of Corrections and the Department of Central
11 Management Services, shall report to the Governor and the
12 General Assembly regarding the use, costs, effectiveness, and
13 future viability of interactive video conferences for Prisoner
14 Review Board hearings.

15 (b) Upon recommendation of the Department the Board may
16 restore good conduct credit previously revoked.

17 (c) The Board shall cooperate with the Department in
18 promoting an effective system of parole and mandatory
19 supervised release.

20 (d) The Board shall promulgate rules for the conduct of its
21 work, and the Chairman shall file a copy of such rules and any
22 amendments thereto with the Director and with the Secretary of
23 State.

24 (e) The Board shall keep records of all of its official
25 actions and shall make them accessible in accordance with law
26 and the rules of the Board.

1 (f) The Board or one who has allegedly violated the
2 conditions of his parole or mandatory supervised release may
3 require by subpoena the attendance and testimony of witnesses
4 and the production of documentary evidence relating to any
5 matter under investigation or hearing. The Chairman of the
6 Board may sign subpoenas which shall be served by any agent or
7 public official authorized by the Chairman of the Board, or by
8 any person lawfully authorized to serve a subpoena under the
9 laws of the State of Illinois. The attendance of witnesses, and
10 the production of documentary evidence, may be required from
11 any place in the State to a hearing location in the State
12 before the Chairman of the Board or his designated agent or
13 agents or any duly constituted Committee or Subcommittee of the
14 Board. Witnesses so summoned shall be paid the same fees and
15 mileage that are paid witnesses in the circuit courts of the
16 State, and witnesses whose depositions are taken and the
17 persons taking those depositions are each entitled to the same
18 fees as are paid for like services in actions in the circuit
19 courts of the State. Fees and mileage shall be vouchered for
20 payment when the witness is discharged from further attendance.

21 In case of disobedience to a subpoena, the Board may
22 petition any circuit court of the State for an order requiring
23 the attendance and testimony of witnesses or the production of
24 documentary evidence or both. A copy of such petition shall be
25 served by personal service or by registered or certified mail
26 upon the person who has failed to obey the subpoena, and such

1 person shall be advised in writing that a hearing upon the
2 petition will be requested in a court room to be designated in
3 such notice before the judge hearing motions or extraordinary
4 remedies at a specified time, on a specified date, not less
5 than 10 nor more than 15 days after the deposit of the copy of
6 the written notice and petition in the U.S. mails addressed to
7 the person at his last known address or after the personal
8 service of the copy of the notice and petition upon such
9 person. The court upon the filing of such a petition, may order
10 the person refusing to obey the subpoena to appear at an
11 investigation or hearing, or to there produce documentary
12 evidence, if so ordered, or to give evidence relative to the
13 subject matter of that investigation or hearing. Any failure to
14 obey such order of the circuit court may be punished by that
15 court as a contempt of court.

16 Each member of the Board and any hearing officer designated
17 by the Board shall have the power to administer oaths and to
18 take the testimony of persons under oath.

19 (g) Except under subsection (a) of this Section, a majority
20 of the members then appointed to the Prisoner Review Board
21 shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business
22 of the Board.

23 (h) The Prisoner Review Board shall annually transmit to
24 the Director a detailed report of its work for the preceding
25 calendar year. The annual report shall also be transmitted to
26 the Governor for submission to the Legislature.

1 (Source: P.A. 96-875, eff. 1-22-10.)