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1 AN ACT in relation to the expungement and sealing of 2 arrest and court records.

3 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 4 represented in the General Assembly:

5 Section 5. The Criminal Identification Act is amended
6 by changing Section 5 as follows:

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(20 ILCS 2630/5) (from Ch. 38, par. 206-5)

8 Sec. 5. Arrest reports; expungement.

(a) All policing bodies of this State shall furnish to 9 the Department, daily, in the form and detail the Department 10 requires, fingerprints and descriptions of all persons who 11 are arrested on charges of violating any penal statute of 12 13 this State for offenses that are classified as felonies and Class A or B misdemeanors and of all minors of the age of 10 14 15 and over who have been arrested for an offense which would be a felony if committed by an adult, and may forward such 16 fingerprints and descriptions for minors arrested for Class A 17 18 or B misdemeanors. Moving or nonmoving traffic violations under the Illinois Vehicle Code shall not be reported except 19 20 for violations of Chapter 4, Section 11-204.1, or Section 11-501 of that Code. In addition, conservation offenses, as 21 22 defined in the Supreme Court Rule 501(c), that are classified as Class B misdemeanors shall not be reported. 23

Whenever an adult or minor prosecuted as an adult, not 24 having previously been convicted of any criminal offense or 25 26 municipal ordinance violation, charged with a violation of 27 municipal ordinance or a felony or misdemeanor, is acquitted or released without being convicted, whether the acquittal or 28 29 release occurred before, on, or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1991, the Chief Judge of the circuit 30 31 wherein the charge was brought, any judge of that circuit

1 designated by the Chief Judge, or in counties of less than 2 3,000,000 inhabitants, the presiding trial judge at the defendant's trial may upon verified petition of the defendant 3 4 order the record of arrest expunged from the official records of the arresting authority and the Department and order that 5 6 the records of the clerk of the circuit court be sealed until 7 further order of the court upon good cause shown and the name of the defendant obliterated on the official index required 8 9 to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but the order shall not affect any 10 11 index issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry of 12 the order. The Department may charge the petitioner a fee equivalent to the cost of processing any order to expunge or 13 seal the records, and the fee shall be deposited into the 14 State Police Services Fund. The records of those arrests, 15 16 however, that result in a disposition of supervision for any offense shall not be expunged from the records of 17 the arresting authority or the Department nor impounded by the 18 court until 2 years after discharge and dismissal 19 of supervision. Those records that result from a supervision 20 for a violation of Section 3-707, 3-708, 3-710, 5-401.3, or 21 11-503 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of 22 23 local ordinance, or for a violation of Section 12-3.2, а 12-15 or 16A-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961, or probation 24 25 under Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, Section 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, Section 12-4.3(b)(1) 26 and (2) of the Criminal Code of 1961 (as those provisions 27 existed before their deletion by Public Act 89-313), Section 28 29 10-102 of the Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency 30 Act when the judgment of conviction has been vacated, Section 40-10 of the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency 31 Act when the judgment of conviction has been vacated, or 32 Section 10 of the Steroid Control Act shall not be expunged 33 34 from the records of the arresting authority nor impounded by

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1 the court until 5 years after termination of probation or 2 supervision. Those records that result from a supervision for a violation of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle 3 4 Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance, shall not 5 be expunged. All records set out above may be ordered by the 6 court to be expunged from the records of the arresting 7 authority and impounded by the court after 5 years, but shall 8 not be expunged by the Department, but shall, on court order 9 be sealed by the Department and may be disseminated by the Department only as required by law or to the arresting 10 11 authority, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for the same or a similar offense or for the purpose 12 of sentencing for any subsequent felony. Upon conviction for 13 any offense, the Department of Corrections shall have access 14 15 to all sealed records of the Department pertaining to that 16 individual.

17 (a-5) Those records maintained by the Department for 18 persons arrested prior to their 17th birthday shall be 19 expunged as provided in Section 5-915 of the Juvenile Court 20 Act of 1987.

21 (b) Whenever a person has been convicted of a crime or 22 of the violation of a municipal ordinance, in the name of а 23 person whose identity he has stolen or otherwise come into possession of, the aggrieved person from whom the identity 24 25 was stolen or otherwise obtained without authorization, upon learning of the person having been arrested using his 26 identity, may, upon verified petition to the chief judge of 27 the circuit wherein the arrest was made, have a court order 28 29 entered nunc pro tunc by the chief judge to correct the 30 arrest record, conviction record, if any, and all official records of the arresting authority, the Department, other 31 32 criminal justice agencies, the prosecutor, and the trial court concerning such arrest, if any, by removing his name 33 34 from all such records in connection with the arrest and

1 conviction, if any, and by inserting in the records the name 2 of the offender, if known or ascertainable, in lieu of the has name. The records of the clerk of the circuit court 3 4 clerk shall be sealed until further order of the court upon 5 good cause shown and the name of the aggrieved person 6 obliterated on the official index required to be kept by the 7 circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts the order shall not affect any index issued by the 8 Act, but 9 circuit court clerk before the entry of the order. Nothing in this Section shall limit the Department of State Police or 10 11 other criminal justice agencies or prosecutors from listing under an offender's name the false names he or she has used. 12 For purposes of this Section, convictions for moving and 13 nonmoving traffic violations other than convictions 14 for violations of Chapter 4, Section 11-204.1 or Section 11-501 15 16 of the Illinois Vehicle Code shall not be a bar to expunging the record of arrest and court records for violation of 17 a misdemeanor or municipal ordinance. 18

Whenever a person who has been convicted of an 19 (C) offense 20 is granted a pardon by the Governor which 21 specifically authorizes expungement, he may, upon verified petition to the chief judge of the circuit where the person 22 23 had been convicted, any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief Judge, or in counties of less than 3,000,000 24 25 inhabitants, the presiding trial judge at the defendant's trial, may have a court order entered expunging the record of 26 arrest from the official records of the arresting authority 27 and order that the records of the clerk of the circuit court 28 and the Department be sealed until further order of the court 29 30 upon good cause shown or as otherwise provided herein, and the name of the defendant obliterated from the official index 31 32 requested to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act in connection with the arrest 33 and conviction for the offense for which he had been pardoned 34

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1 but the order shall not affect any index issued by the 2 circuit court clerk before the entry of the order. All records sealed by the Department may be disseminated by the 3 4 Department only as required by law or to the arresting 5 authority, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a later 6 arrest for the same or similar offense or for the purpose of 7 sentencing for any subsequent felony. Upon conviction for 8 any subsequent offense, the Department of Corrections shall 9 have access to all sealed records of the Department pertaining to that individual. Upon entry of the order of 10 11 expungement, the clerk of the circuit court shall promptly 12 mail a copy of the order to the person who was pardoned.

(c-5) Whenever a person has been convicted of criminal 13 sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual assault, predatory 14 criminal sexual assault of a child, criminal sexual abuse, or 15 16 aggravated criminal sexual abuse, the victim of that offense may request that the State's Attorney of the county in which 17 the conviction occurred file a verified petition with the 18 19 presiding trial judge at the defendant's trial to have a court order entered to seal the records of the clerk of the 20 21 circuit court in connection with the proceedings of the trial 22 court concerning that offense. However, the records of the 23 arresting authority and the Department of State Police concerning the offense shall not be sealed. The court, upon 24 25 good cause shown, shall make the records of the clerk of the circuit court in connection with the proceedings of the trial 26 27 court concerning the offense available for public inspection. (c-6) If a conviction or sentence has been set aside on 28 direct review or on collateral attack and the court 29 30 determines by clear and convincing evidence that the 31 defendant was factually innocent of the charge, the court shall enter an expungement order as provided in subsection 32 (b) of Section 5-5-4 of the Unified Code of Corrections. 33

34 (d) Notice of the petition for subsections (a), (b), and

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1 (c) shall be served upon the State's Attorney or prosecutor 2 charged with the duty of prosecuting the offense, the Department of State Police, the arresting agency and the 3 4 chief legal officer of the unit of local government affecting 5 the arrest. Unless the State's Attorney or prosecutor, the б Department of State Police, the arresting agency or such 7 chief legal officer objects to the petition within 30 days from the date of the notice, the court shall enter 8 an order 9 granting or denying the petition. The clerk of the court shall promptly mail a copy of the order to the person, 10 the 11 arresting agency, the prosecutor, the Department of State Police and such other criminal justice agencies as may be 12 13 ordered by the judge.

(e) Nothing herein shall prevent the Department of State 14 Police from maintaining all records of any person who is 15 16 admitted to probation upon terms and conditions and who fulfills those terms and conditions pursuant to Section 10 of 17 18 the Cannabis Control Act, Section 410 of the Illinois 19 Controlled Substances Act, Section 12-4.3 of the Criminal Code of 1961, Section 10-102 of the Illinois Alcoholism and 20 21 Other Drug Dependency Act, Section 40-10 of the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency Act, or Section 10 of the 22 23 Steroid Control Act.

(f) No court order issued pursuant to the expungement provisions of this Section shall become final for purposes of appeal until 30 days after notice is received by the Department. Any court order contrary to the provisions of this Section is void.

(g) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c-5) of this Section, the court shall not order the sealing or expungement of the arrest records and records of the circuit court clerk of any person granted supervision for or convicted of any sexual offense committed against a minor under 18 years of age. For the purposes of this Section,

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| 1 | "sexual offense committed against a minor" includes but is |
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| 2 | not limited to the offenses of indecent solicitation of a |
| 3 | child or criminal sexual abuse when the victim of such |
| 4 | offense is under 18 years of age. |
| 5 | (Source: P.A. 90-590, eff. 1-1-00; 91-295, eff. 1-1-00; |
| 6 | 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.) |
| 7 | Section 6. The State Appellate Defender Act is amended |
| 8 | by adding Section 10.6 as follows: |
| 9 | (725 ILCS 105/10.6 new) |
| 10 | Sec. 10.6. Expungement program. |
| 11 | <u>(a) The State Appellate Defender shall establish,</u> |
| 12 | maintain, and carry out an Expungement Program to provide |
| 13 | information and assistance to persons eligible to have their |
| 14 | arrest or criminal history record information ordered |
| 15 | expunged, sealed, or impounded. |
| 16 | (b) The State Appellate Defender shall develop |
| 17 | brochures, pamphlets, and other materials in printed form |
| 18 | and through the agency's World Wide Web site. The pamphlets |
| 19 | and other materials shall include at a minimum the following |
| 20 | information: |
| 21 | (1) An explanation of the State's expungement |
| 22 | process; |
| 23 | (2) The circumstances under which expungement may |
| 24 | <u>occur;</u> |
| 25 | (3) The criminal offenses that may be expunged; |
| 26 | (4) The steps necessary to initiate and complete |
| 27 | the expungement process; and |
| 28 | (5) Directions on how to contact the State |
| 29 | Appellate Defender. |
| 30 | <u>(c) The State Appellate Defender shall establish and</u> |
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32 person may use to receive information or assistance

1 concerning the expungement or sealing of arrest or criminal history record information. The State Appellate Defender 2 shall advertise the toll-free telephone number statewide. 3 The State Appellate Defender shall develop an expungement 4 information packet that may be sent to eligible persons 5 seeking expungement of their arrest records, which may 6 include, but is not limited to, a pre-printed expungement 7 8 petition with instructions on how to complete the petition 9 and a pamphlet containing information that would assist individuals through the expungement process. 10

11 (d) The State Appellate Defender shall compile a 12 statewide list of volunteer attorneys willing to assist 13 eligible individuals through the expungement process.

14 (e) This Section shall be implemented from funds 15 appropriated by the General Assembly to the State Appellate 16 Defender for this purpose. The State Appellate Defender 17 shall employ the necessary staff and adopt the necessary 18 rules for implementation of this Section.

Section 10. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by changing Section 5-5-4 as follows:

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1 (730 ILCS 5/5-5-4) (from Ch. 38, par. 1005-5-4)

22 Sec. 5-5-4. Resentences.

(a) Where a conviction or sentence has been set aside on 23 direct review or on collateral attack, the court shall not 24 impose a new sentence for the same offense or for a different 25 offense based on the same conduct which is more severe than 26 27 the prior sentence less the portion of the prior sentence 28 previously satisfied unless the more severe sentence is based upon conduct on the part of the defendant occurring after the 29 30 original sentencing. If a sentence is vacated on appeal or on collateral attack due to the failure of the trier of fact at 31 trial to determine beyond a reasonable doubt the existence of 32

1 a fact (other than a prior conviction) necessary to increase 2 the punishment for the offense beyond the statutory maximum 3 otherwise applicable, either the defendant may be 4 re-sentenced to a term within the range otherwise provided 5 or, if the State files notice of its intention to again seek 6 the extended sentence, the defendant shall be afforded a new 7 trial.

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8 (b) If a conviction or sentence has been set aside on 9 direct review or on collateral attack and the court determines by clear and convincing evidence that the 10 defendant was factually innocent of the charge, the court 11 12 shall enter an order expunging the record of arrest from the official records of the arresting authority and order that 13 the records of the clerk of the circuit court and Department 14 15 of State Police be sealed until further order of the court 16 upon good cause shown or as otherwise provided herein, and the name of the defendant obliterated from the official index 17 requested to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 18 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act in connection with the arrest 19 and conviction for the offense but the order shall not affect 20 21 any index issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry 22 of the order.

All records sealed by the Department of State Police may 23 24 be disseminated by the Department only as required by law or to the arresting authority, the State's Attorney, the court 25 upon a later arrest for the same or similar offense, or for 26 the purpose of sentencing for any subsequent felony. Upon 27 conviction for any subsequent offense, the Department of 28 Corrections shall have access to all sealed records of the 29 Department pertaining to that individual. 30

31 <u>Upon entry of the order of expungement, the clerk of the</u> 32 <u>circuit court shall promptly mail a copy of the order to the</u> 33 <u>person whose records were expunged and sealed.</u>

34 (Source: P.A. 91-953, eff. 2-23-01.)

- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 1
- 2 becoming law.