## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

## No. 1741 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY RABB, KRAJEWSKI, FRANKEL, SMITH-WADE-EL, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, BELLMON, GIRAL, SCHLOSSBERG, McNEILL, HOHENSTEIN, PARKER, KHAN, MADDEN, KAZEEM, SCOTT, HADDOCK AND KINSEY, OCTOBER 3, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, OCTOBER 3, 2023

## AN ACT

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania 1 2 Consolidated Statutes, in criminal history record information, further providing for expungement. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 4 hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Section 9122(a)(3) and (4)(iv) of Title 18 of the 6 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended and the subsection is amended by adding a paragraph to read: 9 § 9122. Expungement. 10 Specific proceedings. -- Criminal history record 11 information shall be expunded in a specific criminal proceeding 12 when: \* \* \* 13 14 (3) a person 21 years of age or older who has been 15 convicted of a violation of section 6308 (relating to 16 purchase, consumption, possession or transportation of liquor

or malt or brewed beverages), which occurred on or after the

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day the person attained 18 years of age, petitions the court of common pleas in the county where the conviction occurred seeking expungement and the person has satisfied all terms and conditions of the sentence imposed for the violation, including any suspension of operating privileges imposed pursuant to section 6310.4 (relating to restriction of operating privileges). Upon review of the petition, the court shall order the expungement of all criminal history record information and all administrative records of the Department of Transportation relating to said conviction; [or]

(4) a judicial determination has been made that a person is acquitted of an offense, if the person has been acquitted of all charges based on the same conduct or arising from the same criminal episode following a trial and a verdict of not guilty. This paragraph shall not apply to a partial acquittal. A judicial determination under this paragraph may only be made after the following:

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(iv) Following the hearing, or if no objection has been filed or the hearing has been waived, the court shall order that the person's criminal history record information be automatically expunged unless the court determines the expungement relates to the same conduct, arises from the same criminal episode or otherwise relates to a partial acquittal. Expungement shall occur no later than 12 months from the date of acquittal[.]; or (5) the conviction has been unconditionally pardoned by

the Governor. Expungement shall occur automatically upon
notification of the pardon from the Governor's Office
provided to the court of common pleas in the county where the

- 1 <u>conviction occurred or upon praecipe to said court attaching</u>
- 2 only a copy of the pardon. Upon receipt of the notification,
- 3 the court shall order the expungement of all criminal history
- 4 <u>record information and all administrative records of the</u>
- 5 <u>Department of Transportation and the central repository</u>
- 6 <u>relating to the conviction.</u>
- 7 \* \* \*
- 8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.