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HOUSE BILL No. 4839

June 13, 2013, Introduced by Reps. Leonard, Cotter, O'Brien, McMillin, Switalski, Irwin and Oakes and referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

A bill to amend 1965 PA 213, entitled

"An act to provide for setting aside the conviction in certain criminal cases; to provide for the effect of such action; to provide for the retention of certain nonpublic records and their use; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain public agencies and officers; and to prescribe penalties,"

by amending section 3 (MCL 780.623), as amended by 1994 PA 294.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 3. (1) Upon the entry of an order pursuant to UNDER
 section 1, the court shall send a copy of the order to the
 arresting agency and the department of state police.
 - (2) The department of state police shall retain a nonpublic record of the order setting aside a conviction and of the record of the arrest, fingerprints, conviction, and sentence of the applicant in the case to which the order applies. Except as provided in
 - subsection (3), this nonpublic record shall be made available only

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- 1 to a court of competent jurisdiction, an agency of the judicial
- 2 branch of state government, a law enforcement agency, a prosecuting
- 3 attorney, the attorney general, or the governor upon request and
- 4 only for the following purposes:
- **5** (a) Consideration in a licensing function conducted by an
- 6 agency of the judicial branch of state government.
- 7 (b) To show that a person who has filed an application to set
- 8 aside a conviction has previously had a conviction set aside
- 9 pursuant to this act.
- 10 (c) The court's consideration in determining the sentence to
- 11 be imposed upon conviction for a subsequent offense that is
- 12 punishable as a felony or by imprisonment for more than 1 year.
- 13 (d) Consideration by the governor if a person whose conviction
- 14 has been set aside applies for a pardon for another offense.
- 15 (e) Consideration by a law enforcement agency if a person
- 16 whose conviction has been set aside applies for employment with the
- 17 law enforcement agency.
- 18 (f) Consideration by a court, law enforcement agency,
- 19 prosecuting attorney, or the attorney general in determining
- 20 whether an individual required to be registered under the sex
- 21 offenders registration act has violated that act, or for use in a
- 22 prosecution for violating that act.
- 23 (3) A copy of the nonpublic record created under subsection
- 24 (2) shall be provided to the person whose conviction is set aside
- 25 under this act upon payment of a fee determined and charged by the
- 26 department of state police in the same manner as the fee prescribed
- 27 in section 4 of the freedom of information act, Act No. 442 of the

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- 1 Public Acts of 1976, being section 15.234 of the Michigan Compiled
- 2 Laws.1976 PA 442, MCL 15.234.
- 3 (4) The nonpublic record maintained under subsection (2) is
- 4 exempt from disclosure under the freedom of information act, Act
- 5 No. 442 of the Public Acts of 1976, being sections 15.231 to 15.246
- 6 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246.
- 7 (5) Except as provided in subsection (2), a person, other than
- 8 the applicant OR A VICTIM, who knows or should have known that a
- 9 conviction was set aside under this section and who divulges, uses,
- 10 or publishes information concerning a conviction set aside under
- 11 this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment
- 12 for not more than 90 days or a fine of not more than \$500.00, or
- 13 both.
- 14 (6) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "VICTIM" MEANS ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO
- 15 SUFFERS DIRECT OR THREATENED PHYSICAL, FINANCIAL, OR EMOTIONAL HARM
- 16 AS THE RESULT OF THE OFFENSE THAT WAS COMMITTED BY THE APPLICANT.