

**Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2003**

SENATE BILL NO. 2041  
(Legislative Council)  
(Information Technology Committee)

AN ACT to provide for a criminal justice information sharing board; and to amend and reenact sections 12-60-16.2 and 12-60-16.9 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the collection of criminal information and fees for criminal history record checks.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SECTION 1. Criminal justice information sharing board - Membership - Duties and powers.** The criminal justice information sharing board consists of the chief justice of the supreme court or the chief justice's designee, the attorney general or the attorney general's designee, and the chief information officer of the state. The chief information officer is chairman of the board. The information technology department shall provide staff support to the board. The board shall set policy relating to the collection, storage, and sharing of criminal justice information and the systems necessary to perform those functions. The board shall provide operational oversight for criminal justice information sharing activities and shall approve and provide oversight of criminal justice information sharing budgets. The board may appoint an executive committee and an advisory committee that would serve in an advisory capacity to the board.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 12-60-16.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**12-60-16.2. Criminal history record information - Reportable events.** Except as otherwise provided in sections 12-60-16.1 through 12-60-16.10, each criminal justice agency shall report to the bureau the information described in this section for each felony and reportable offense so designated pursuant to section 12-60-16.4. The bureau may require the criminal justice agency to provide the information in a manner that the bureau determines to be the most efficient or accurate means of collection. The following criminal justice agencies shall perform the duties indicated:

1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, each criminal justice agency that makes an arrest for a reportable offense shall, with respect to that offense and the person arrested, furnish to the bureau the fingerprints, charges, and descriptions of the person arrested. If the arrest is made by a criminal justice agency that is a state law enforcement agency, then, on request of the arresting agency, a sheriff or jail administrator shall take the fingerprints. The arresting agency shall then furnish the required information to the bureau. If a decision is made not to refer the arrest for prosecution, the criminal justice agency making that decision shall report the decision to the bureau. A criminal justice agency may make agreements with other criminal justice agencies for the purpose of furnishing to the bureau information required under this subsection.
2. The prosecuting attorney shall notify the bureau of all charges filed, including all those added after the filing of a criminal court case, and whether charges were not filed in criminal cases for which the bureau has a record of an arrest.
3. After the court pronounces sentence for a reportable offense, and if the person being sentenced has not been fingerprinted with respect to that case, the prosecuting attorney shall ask the court to order a law enforcement agency to fingerprint that person. If the court determines that the person being so sentenced has not previously been fingerprinted for the same case, the court shall order the fingerprints taken. The law enforcement agency shall forward the fingerprints to the bureau.

4. The prosecuting attorney having jurisdiction over a reportable offense shall furnish the bureau all final dispositions of criminal cases for which the bureau has a record of an arrest or a record of fingerprints reported under subsection 3. For each charge, this information must include at least the following:
  - a. Judgments of not guilty, judgments of guilty including the sentence pronounced by the court, discharges, and dismissals in the trial court;
  - b. Reviewing court orders filed with the clerk of the court which reverse or remand a reported conviction or which vacate or modify a sentence; and
  - c. Judgments terminating or revoking a sentence to probation and any resentencing after such a revocation.
5. The North Dakota state penitentiary, pardon clerk, parole board, and local correctional facility administrators shall furnish the bureau with all information concerning the receipt, escape, death, release, pardon, conditional pardon, reprieve, parole, commutation of sentence, or discharge of an individual who has been sentenced to that agency's custody for any reportable offense which is required to be collected, maintained, or disseminated by the bureau. In the case of an escape from custody or death while in custody, information concerning the receipt and escape or death must also be furnished.

**SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 12-60-16.9 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**12-60-16.9. Criminal history record information - Fee for record check.** The bureau shall impose a fee of ~~twenty~~ thirty dollars for each record check. The bureau shall waive the fee for any criminal justice agency or court, and shall impose a fee of three dollars for each record check for a nonprofit organization that is organized and operated in this state exclusively for charitable purposes for the exclusive benefit of minors.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Senate Vote:      Yeas     45            Nays     0            Absent     2

House Vote:      Yeas     87            Nays     0            Absent     7

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Secretary of the Senate

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Governor

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Secretary of State