

1 H.495

2 Introduced by Representative Noyes of Wolcott

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Vermont Crime Information Center; criminal history record checks

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to exempt
7 agencies and organizations that provide services to children or the elderly from
8 the fee for a criminal history record check for the agency or organization's
9 volunteer applicants.

10 An act relating to criminal history record fee exemptions

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 Sec. 1. 20 V.S.A. § 2063 is amended to read:

13 § 2063. CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD FEES; CRIMINAL HISTORY
14 RECORD CHECK FUND

15 (a) Except as otherwise provided for in this section, the cost of each check
16 for a criminal history record as defined in section 2056a of this title or a
17 criminal conviction record as defined in section 2056c of this title based on
18 name and date of birth shall be \$30.00. Out-of-state criminal history record
19 checks shall include any additional fees charged by the state from which the
20 record is requested.

1 (b) Requests made by criminal justice agencies for criminal justice
2 purposes or other purposes authorized by State or federal law shall be exempt
3 from all record check fees. The following types of requests shall be exempt
4 from the Vermont criminal record check fee:

5 (1) Requests made by any individual, organization, or governmental
6 body doing business in Vermont that has one or more individuals performing
7 services for it within this State and is a qualified entity that provides care or
8 services to children, elders, or persons with disabilities as defined in 42 U.S.C.
9 § 5119c.

10 (2) Requests made by researchers approved by the Vermont Crime
11 Information Center to conduct research related to the administration of
12 criminal justice. A fee, however, may be charged by the Center, which shall
13 reflect the cost of generating the requested information.

14 (3) Requests made by individuals to review their own record at the
15 Vermont Crime Information Center; however, copies of the individual's record
16 are not exempt from the record check fee.

17 (4) Requests made by the Vermont State Housing Authority and other
18 public housing authorities pursuant to 24 V.S.A § 4010(c).

19 (5) Requests made by environmental enforcement officers employed by
20 the Agency of Natural Resources.

