

No. 174. An act relating to studies of policies and procedures regarding the sealing of criminal history records.

(H.655)

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

Sec. 1. PETITIONLESS SEALING

On or before December 2, 2024, the Chief Superior Judge, in consultation with the Attorney General, the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs, the Office of the Defender General, and the Department of Corrections, shall examine the laws and procedures of other states regarding petitionless sealing of criminal history records and shall submit to the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary a recommendation on how to establish a mechanism for petitionless sealing and any resources required for the recommendation to be implemented.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

Date Governor signed bill: June 12, 2024