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| 1 | The Committee on Criminal Justice (Dockery) recommended the |
| 2 | following amendment: |
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| 4 | Senate Amendment (with title amendment) |
| 5 | Delete everything after the enacting clause |
| 6 | and insert: |
| 7 | Section 1. Section 943.0531, Florida Statutes, is created |
| 8 | to read: |
| 9 | 943.0531 Confidentiality of certain criminal history |
| 10 | records of minors |
| 11 | Criminal history information of a minor regarding a misdemeanor |
| 12 | offense, regardless of adjudication, is confidential and exempt |
| 13 | from s. 119.071(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State |
| 14 | Constitution, unless that minor has been arrested for, or found |
| 15 | to have committed, regardless of adjudication, a felony offense. |
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| 16 | This information shall only be available to the person who is |
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| 17 | the subject of the record, to the subject's attorney, to |
| 18 | criminal justice agencies, and to those entities set forth in |
| 19 | subparagraphs (a)1., 4., 5., 6., and 8.of s. 943.059(4) for |
| 20 | their respective licensing, access authorization, and employment |
| 21 | purposes. |
| 22 | Section 2. This section is subject to the Open Government |
| 23 | Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand |
| 24 | repealed on October 2, 2013, unless reviewed and saved from |
| 25 | repeal through reenactment by the Legislature. |
| 26 | Section 3. The Legislature finds a public necessity in |
| 27 | protecting the criminal history record of minors regarding a |
| 28 | misdemeanor offense, regardless of adjudication, unless that |
| 29 | minor has been arrested for, or found to have committed, |
| 30 | regardless of adjudication, a felony offense. The Legislature |
| 31 | finds that it is a public necessity to make confidential and |
| 32 | exempt from disclosure, except to certain enumerated entities, |
| 33 | the criminal history records of minors regarding a misdemeanor |
| 34 | offense, unless such minor has been arrested for or found to |
| 35 | have committed, regardless of adjudication, a felony offense. |
| 36 | The Legislature finds that is a public necessity to only |
| 37 | disclose such criminal history record information to the |
| 38 | following entities: the person who is the subject of the record, |
| 39 | the subject's attorney, criminal justice agencies, and those |
| 40 | entities set forth in subparagraphs (a)1., 4., 5., 6., and 8., |
| 41 | of s. 943.059(4) for their respective licensing, access |
| 42 | authorization, and employment purposes. The Legislature further |
| 43 | finds that the release of this information to other persons |

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| 44 | besides those enumerated above will significantly harm Florida |
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| 45 | youth who are often denied employment and other future |
| 46 | opportunities because of mistakes made in their earlier years. |
| 47 | This exemption is not intended to affect the right of a victim |
| 48 | of a misdemeanor offense to obtain a copy of an applicable |
| 49 | offense report, as provided under current law. |
| 50 | Section 4. This act shall take effect January 1, 2009. |
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| 52 | ========== TITLE AMENDMENT============ |
| 53 | And the title is amended as follows: |
| 54 | Delete everything before the enacting clause |
| 55 | and insert: |
| 56 | A bill to be entitled |
| 57 | An act relating to public records; creating s. 943.0531, |
| 58 | F.S.; creating a public records exemption for certain |
| 59 | juvenile misdemeanor criminal history records; providing |
| 60 | access to certain enumerated entities; providing an |
| 61 | effective date. |
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