By Senator Brandes

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to criminal history records; creating s. 943.0586, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice Information Program to administratively seal the criminal history records of an adult or a minor upon notification by the clerk of the court under specified circumstances; providing applicability for the administrative sealing of specified criminal history records; providing a contingent effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 943.0586, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.0586 Administrative sealing of criminal history records.—

(1) Regardless of any prior criminal conviction of the adult or minor, the Criminal Justice Information Program shall administratively seal the criminal history records pertaining to an arrest or incident of alleged criminal activity of an adult or a minor charged with a felony, misdemeanor, or violation of a comparable rule or ordinance by a state, county, municipal, or other law enforcement agency upon notification by the clerk of the court, pursuant to s. 943.052(2), that all the charges related to the arrest or incident of alleged criminal activity were declined to be filed by the state attorney or statewide prosecutor, were dismissed or nolle prosequi before trial, or resulted in a judgment of acquittal or a verdict of not guilty

at trial and that all appeals by the prosecution have been

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