HB 2193 -- EXPUNGEMENT

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This bill specifies that if a person is named in a charge for an infraction or a crime, either a misdemeanor or a felony, as a result of another person using the identifying information of the named person or mistaken identity and a finding of not guilty is entered, or the conviction is set aside, the named person may apply by petition or written motion to the court where the charge was last pending on a form approved by the Office of State Courts Administrator supplied by the clerk of the court for an order to expunge from all official records any entries relating to the person's apprehension, charge, or trial.

The court, after notice to the prosecuting attorney, must hold a hearing on the motion or petition and, upon finding that the person's identity was used without permission and the charges were dismissed or the person was found not guilty, the court must order the expungement.

If any person is named in a charge for an infraction or a crime, either a misdemeanor or a felony, as a result of another person using the identifying information of the named person or mistaken identity, and the charge against the named person is dismissed, the prosecutor or other judicial officer who ordered the dismissal must provide notice to the court of the dismissal, and the court must order the expungement of all official records containing any entries relating to the person's apprehension, charge, or trial.

No person as to whom an order has been entered under these provisions can be held thereafter under any provision of law to be guilty of perjury, or to be guilty of otherwise giving a false statement or response to any inquiry made for any purpose, by reason of the person's failure to recite or acknowledge any expunged entries concerning apprehension, charge, or trial.

The court is required to order that such entries must be expunded from the records of the court and direct all law enforcement agencies, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Revenue, or any other state or local government agency identified by the petitioner, or the person eligible for automatic expundement as bearing record of the same to expunde their records of the entries.

The clerk must notify state and local agencies of the court's order. The costs of expunging the records, as provided in this chapter, cannot be taxed against the person eligible for expungement under this section. Any insurance company that charged any additional premium based on insurance points assessed against a policyholder as a result of a charge or conviction that was expunged must refund the additional premiums to the policyholder upon notification of the expungement.

This bill is the same as HB 2074 (2016).