

## **100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

## State of Illinois

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#### HB3885

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Conviction History Reporting Act. Prohibits a consumer reporting agency from reporting in a criminal history report (1) criminal history information that antedates the report by more than 5 years and (2) criminal history record information that is not conviction information. Authorizes the recovery of damages, punitive damages, and attorney's fees. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning business.

# Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
Conviction History Reporting Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:

7 "Consumer reporting agency" means any person or entity 8 that, for monetary fees, dues, or on a cooperative non-profit 9 basis, regularly engages, in whole or in part, in the practice 10 of assembling or evaluating criminal history record 11 information on individuals for the purpose of furnishing 12 criminal history reports to third parties.

"Conviction information" means data reflecting a judgment of guilt or nolo contendere or any disposition arising therefrom, including sentencing, correctional supervision, rehabilitation, or release. For purposes of this Act, an order of supervision or qualified probation as defined by Section 5.2 of the Criminal Identification Act that has been discharged or dismissed shall not be deemed conviction information.

20 "Criminal history record information" means records of 21 arrest, complaint, indictment, or any disposition arising 22 therefrom.

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"Criminal history report" means any written, oral, or other

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3 Section 10. Applicability; exclusion. The provisions of 4 this Act do not apply to background collected, maintained, or 5 disseminated pursuant to the Illinois Uniform Conviction 6 Information Act.

7 Section 15. Limit on reporting of criminal history record8 information.

9 (a) A criminal history report furnished to a third party 10 shall not include (1) criminal history information that 11 antedates the report by more than 5 years or (2) criminal 12 history record information that is not conviction information.

(b) Nothing in this Act abrogates a consumer reporting agency's ability to (1) report that an individual is currently subject to a publicly available registry established under the laws of this State or (2) otherwise report information that is not criminal history record information.

Section 20. Remedies. If a consumer reporting agency violates the terms of this Act, the subject of any criminal history report may recover in a civil action:

(1) damages in the amount of \$1,000 for each report provided to a third party in violation of this Act or actual damages, whichever is greater; HB3885 - 3 - LRB100 10564 JLS 20781 b
(2) costs and such reasonable attorney's fees as may be
allowed by the court; and
(3) any other relief as may be appropriate, including
punitive damages.
Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

6 becoming law.