102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2630/5.2 30 ILCS 105/6z-112

Amends the Criminal Identification Act. Provides for expungement of misdemeanor and petty offense violations of ordinances that are similar to minor cannabis violations under State law. Also provides for the expungement of municipal ordinance and State law violations concerning drug paraphernalia used for cannabis. Provides that in relation to minor cannabis offenses as defined in the expungement, sealing, and immediate sealing statute, includes satisfactory terminations of supervision and satisfactory terminations of qualified probation in the disposition records for which the Illinois State Police shall identify and notify the Prisoner Review Board for the Board to make a confidential and privileged recommendation to the Governor as to whether to grant a pardon authorizing expungement for each of the records identified. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that allocations to the clerks of the circuit court from the Cannabis Expungement Fund shall be appropriated to the Supreme Court for disbursement to the circuit clerks to be deposited into the Circuit Court Clerk Operation and Administrative Fund.

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AN ACT concerning cannabis.

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

4 Section 5. The Criminal Identification Act is amended by 5 changing Section 5.2 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2630/5.2)

7 Sec. 5.2. Expungement, sealing, and immediate sealing.

8 (a) General Provisions.

9 (1) Definitions. In this Act, words and phrases have 10 the meanings set forth in this subsection, except when a 11 particular context clearly requires a different meaning.

12 (A) The following terms shall have the meanings
13 ascribed to them in the <u>following Sections of the</u>
14 Unified Code of Corrections, 730 ILCS 5/5 1 2 through
15 5/5 1 22:

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 (i)
 Business Offense, Section 5-1-2.
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 (ii)
 Charge, Section
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 (iii)
 Court, Section 5-1-6.
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 5/5-1-6),

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 (iv) Defendant, Section 5-1-7. (730 ILCS

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 5/5-1-7),

1	(v) Felony, Section 5-1-9. (730 ILCS 5/5-1-9),
2	(vi) Imprisonment, Section 5-1-10. (730 ILCS
3	5/5-1-10),
4	(vii) Judgment, Section 5-1-12. (730 ILCS
5	5/5-1-12),
6	(viii) Misdemeanor <u>, Section 5-1-14.</u> (730 ILCS
7	5/5 1 14),
8	(ix) Offense <u>, Section 5-1-15.</u> (730 ILCS
9	5/5-1-15),
10	(x) Parole <u>, Section 5-1-16.</u> (730 ILCS
11	5/5-1-16),
12	(xi) Petty Offense, Section 5-1-17. (730 ILCS
13	5/5-1-17),
14	(xii) Probation, Section 5-1-18. (730 ILCS
15	5/5-1-18),
16	(xiii) Sentence, Section 5-1-19. (730 ILCS
17	5/5-1-19),
18	(xiv) Supervision, Section 5-1-21. (730 ILCS
19	5/5 1 21), and
20	(xv) Victim <u>, Section 5-1-22.</u> (730 ILCS
21	5/5-1-22).
22	(B) As used in this Section, "charge not initiated
23	by arrest" means a charge (as defined by Section 5-1-3
24	of the Unified Code of Corrections 730 ILCS 5/5-1-3)
25	brought against a defendant where the defendant is not
26	arrested prior to or as a direct result of the charge.

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(C) "Conviction" means a judgment of conviction or 1 2 sentence entered upon a plea of guilty or upon a 3 verdict or finding of guilty of an offense, rendered by a legally constituted jury or by a court of 4 5 competent jurisdiction authorized to try the case without a jury. An order of supervision successfully 6 7 completed by the petitioner is not a conviction. An order of qualified probation (as defined in subsection 8 9 (a) (1) (J)) successfully completed by the petitioner is 10 not a conviction. An order of supervision or an order 11 of qualified probation that is terminated 12 unsatisfactorily is а conviction, unless the 13 unsatisfactory termination is reversed, vacated, or 14 modified and the judgment of conviction, if any, is 15 reversed or vacated.

16 (D) "Criminal offense" means a petty offense, 17 business offense, misdemeanor, felony, or municipal ordinance violation defined in 18 (as subsection 19 (a) (1) (H)). As used in this Section, a minor traffic 20 offense (as defined in subsection (a) (1) (G)) shall not be considered a criminal offense. 21

(E) "Expunge" means to physically destroy the records or return them to the petitioner and to obliterate the petitioner's name from any official index or public record, or both. Nothing in this Act shall require the physical destruction of the circuit

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court file, but such records relating to arrests or charges, or both, ordered expunged shall be impounded as required by subsections (d)(9)(A)(ii) and (d)(9)(B)(ii).

5 (F) As used in this Section, "last sentence" means 6 the sentence, order of supervision, or order of 7 qualified probation (as defined by subsection (a) (1) (J), for a criminal offense (as defined by 8 9 subsection (a)(1)(D)) that terminates last in time in 10 any jurisdiction, regardless of whether the petitioner 11 has included the criminal offense for which the 12 or order of supervision or qualified sentence probation was imposed in his or her petition. If 13 14 multiple sentences, orders of supervision, or orders 15 of qualified probation terminate on the same day and 16 last in time, they shall be collectively are 17 considered the "last sentence" regardless of whether 18 they were ordered to run concurrently.

19 (G) "Minor traffic offense" means a petty offense,
20 business offense, or Class C misdemeanor under the
21 Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a
22 municipal or local ordinance.

(G-5) "Minor Cannabis Offense" means a violation
 of Section 4 or 5 of the Cannabis Control Act
 concerning not more than 30 grams of any substance
 containing cannabis, provided the violation did not

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include a penalty enhancement under Section 7 of the
 Cannabis Control Act and is not associated with an
 arrest, conviction or other disposition for a violent
 crime as defined in subsection (c) of Section 3 of the
 Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act.

6 (H) "Municipal ordinance violation" means an 7 offense defined by a municipal or local ordinance that 8 is criminal in nature and with which the petitioner 9 was charged or for which the petitioner was arrested 10 and released without charging.

(I) "Petitioner" means an adult or a minor prosecuted as an adult who has applied for relief under this Section.

"Qualified probation" means an order of 14 (J) 15 probation under Section 10 of the Cannabis Control 16 Act, Section 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances 17 Act, Section 70 of the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act, Section 5-6-3.3 or 5-6-3.4 18 19 of the Unified Code of Corrections, Section 20 12-4.3(b)(1) and (2) of the Criminal Code of 1961 (as those provisions existed before their deletion by 21 22 Public Act 89-313), Section 10-102 of the Illinois 23 Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act, Section 24 40-10 of the Substance Use Disorder Act, or Section 10 25 of the Steroid Control Act. For the purpose of this 26 Section, "successful completion" of an order of

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1 qualified probation under Section 10-102 of the 2 Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act and 3 Section 40-10 of the Substance Use Disorder Act means 4 that the probation was terminated satisfactorily and 5 the judgment of conviction was vacated.

(K) "Seal" means to physically and electronically 6 maintain the records, unless the records would 7 otherwise be destroyed due to age, but to make the 8 9 records unavailable without a court order, subject to the exceptions in Sections 12 and 13 of this Act. The 10 11 petitioner's name shall also be obliterated from the 12 official index required to be kept by the circuit 13 court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts 14 Act, but any index issued by the circuit court clerk 15 before the entry of the order to seal shall not be 16 affected.

17 (L) "Sexual offense committed against a minor" 18 includes, but is not limited to, the offenses of 19 indecent solicitation of a child or criminal sexual 20 abuse when the victim of such offense is under 18 years 21 of age.

(M) "Terminate" as it relates to a sentence or
order of supervision or qualified probation includes
either satisfactory or unsatisfactory termination of
the sentence, unless otherwise specified in this
Section. A sentence is terminated notwithstanding any

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outstanding financial legal obligation.

2 (2) Minor Traffic Offenses. Orders of supervision or 3 convictions for minor traffic offenses shall not affect a 4 petitioner's eligibility to expunge or seal records 5 pursuant to this Section.

(2.5) Commencing 180 days after July 29, 2016 (the 6 7 effective date of Public Act 99-697), the law enforcement agency issuing the citation shall automatically expunge, 8 9 on or before January 1 and July 1 of each year, the law 10 enforcement records of a person found to have committed a 11 civil law violation of subsection (a) of Section 4 of the 12 Cannabis Control Act or subsection (c) of Section 3.5 of 13 the Drug Paraphernalia Control Act in the law enforcement 14 agency's possession or control and which contains the 15 final satisfactory disposition which pertain to the person 16 issued a citation for that offense. The law enforcement 17 agency shall provide by rule the process for access, review, and to confirm the automatic expungement by the 18 19 law enforcement agency issuing the citation. Commencing 20 180 days after July 29, 2016 (the effective date of Public 21 Act 99-697), the clerk of the circuit court shall expunge, 22 upon order of the court, or in the absence of a court order 23 on or before January 1 and July 1 of each year, the court 24 records of a person found in the circuit court to have 25 committed a civil law violation of subsection (a) of 26 Section 4 of the Cannabis Control Act or subsection (c) of 1 Section 3.5 of the Drug Paraphernalia Control Act in the 2 clerk's possession or control and which contains the final 3 satisfactory disposition which pertain to the person

issued a citation for any of those offenses.

5 (2.6) Commencing 180 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly, the 6 7 Illinois State Police and all law enforcement agencies 8 within this State shall automatically expunge all criminal 9 history records of an arrest, charge not initiated by 10 arrest, or order of supervision of a person whose law 11 enforcement and court records were not automatically 12 expunded under paragraph (2.5) for a conviction of subsection (c) of Section 3.5 of the Drug Paraphernalia 13 14 Control Act, prior to its repeal by Public Act 101-593, for knowingly possessing an item of drug paraphernalia 15 16 with the intent to use it in ingesting, inhaling, or 17 otherwise introducing cannabis into the human body, or in preparing cannabis for that use, or whose records were 18 19 ineligible for an automatic expungement under paragraph (2.5), regardless of the amount of cannabis that the 20 21 person possessed at the time of the person's arrest or 22 prosecution on the charge. Commencing 180 days after the 23 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General 24 Assembly, the circuit court shall automatically expunge 25 the court records of persons described in this paragraph 26 (2.6).

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1	(2.7) Commencing 180 days after the effective date of
2	this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly, if the
3	corporate authorities of a municipality have enacted a
4	penal ordinance under Section 1-2-1.1 of the Illinois
5	Municipal Code similar to Section 4 or 5 of the Cannabis
6	Control Act prohibiting the possession, manufacture, or
7	delivery of cannabis that is a minor cannabis offense or
8	has enacted an ordinance similar to subsection (c) of
9	Section 3.5 of the Drug Paraphernalia Control Act
10	prohibiting the possession of drug paraphernalia described
11	in paragraph (2.6), the municipal attorney or prosecuting
12	attorney for the municipality shall submit the identifying
13	information of persons arrested, charged, convicted, or
14	placed on supervision for those municipal ordinance
15	violations to the law enforcement agency of the
16	municipality that prosecuted persons for those offenses
17	and to the clerk of the circuit court of the county where
18	the prosecutions occurred. The law enforcement agency of
19	the municipality shall automatically expunge those law
20	enforcement records and the clerk of the circuit court
21	shall expunge the court records of those persons.

(3) Exclusions. Except as otherwise provided in
subsections (b)(5), (b)(6), (b)(8), (e), (e-5), and (e-6)
of this Section, the court shall not order:

(A) the sealing or expungement of the records of
 arrests or charges not initiated by arrest that result

in an order of supervision for or conviction of: (i) 1 any sexual offense committed against a minor; (ii) 2 Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a 3 similar provision of a local ordinance; or (iii) 4 5 Section 11-503 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance, unless the 6 7 arrest or charge is for a misdemeanor violation of Section 11-503 or a similar subsection (a) of 8 9 provision of a local ordinance, that occurred prior to 10 the offender reaching the age of 25 years and the 11 offender has no other conviction for violating Section 12 11-501 or 11-503 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a 13 similar provision of a local ordinance.

(B) the sealing or expungement of records of minor
traffic offenses (as defined in subsection (a) (1) (G)),
unless the petitioner was arrested and released
without charging.

18 (C) the sealing of the records of arrests or 19 charges not initiated by arrest which result in an 20 order of supervision or a conviction for the following 21 offenses:

(i) offenses included in Article 11 of the
Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012
or a similar provision of a local ordinance,
except Section 11-14 and a misdemeanor violation
of Section 11-30 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or

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the Criminal Code of 2012, or a similar provision of a local ordinance;

(ii) Section 11-1.50, 12-3.4, 12-15, 12-30, 26-5, or 48-1 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, or a similar provision of a local ordinance;

7 (iii) Sections 12-3.1 or 12-3.2 of the 8 Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 9 2012, or Section 125 of the Stalking No Contact 10 Order Act, or Section 219 of the Civil No Contact 11 Order Act, or a similar provision of a local 12 ordinance;

13 (iv) Class A misdemeanors or felony offenses
14 under the Humane Care for Animals Act; or

(v) any offense or attempted offense that
would subject a person to registration under the
Sex Offender Registration Act.

(D) (blank).

19 (b) Expungement.

(1) A petitioner may petition the circuit court to
expunge the records of his or her arrests and charges not
initiated by arrest when each arrest or charge not
initiated by arrest sought to be expunged resulted in: (i)
acquittal, dismissal, or the petitioner's release without
charging, unless excluded by subsection (a) (3) (B); (ii) a
conviction which was vacated or reversed, unless excluded

by subsection (a) (3) (B); (iii) an order of supervision and such supervision was successfully completed by the petitioner, unless excluded by subsection (a) (3) (A) or (a) (3) (B); or (iv) an order of qualified probation (as defined in subsection (a) (1) (J)) and such probation was successfully completed by the petitioner.

7 (1.5) When a petitioner seeks to have a record of 8 arrest expunged under this Section, and the offender has 9 been convicted of a criminal offense, the State's Attorney 10 may object to the expungement on the grounds that the 11 records contain specific relevant information aside from 12 the mere fact of the arrest.

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(2) Time frame for filing a petition to expunge.

(A) When the arrest or charge not initiated by
arrest sought to be expunged resulted in an acquittal,
dismissal, the petitioner's release without charging,
or the reversal or vacation of a conviction, there is
no waiting period to petition for the expungement of
such records.

(B) When the arrest or charge not initiated by
arrest sought to be expunded resulted in an order of
supervision, successfully completed by the petitioner,
the following time frames will apply:

(i) Those arrests or charges that resulted in
orders of supervision under Section 3-707, 3-708,
3-710, or 5-401.3 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or

1a similar provision of a local ordinance, or under2Section 11-1.50, 12-3.2, or 12-15 of the Criminal3Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, or a4similar provision of a local ordinance, shall not5be eligible for expungement until 5 years have6passed following the satisfactory termination of7the supervision.

(i-5) Those arrests or charges that resulted 8 9 in orders of supervision for a misdemeanor 10 violation of subsection (a) of Section 11-503 of 11 the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision 12 of a local ordinance, that occurred prior to the 13 offender reaching the age of 25 years and the 14 offender has no other conviction for violating Section 11-501 or 11-503 of the Illinois Vehicle 15 16 Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance 17 shall not be eligible for expungement until the petitioner has reached the age of 25 years. 18

19 (ii) Those arrests or charges that resulted in 20 orders of supervision for any other offenses shall 21 not be eligible for expungement until 2 years have 22 passed following the satisfactory termination of 23 the supervision.

(C) When the arrest or charge not initiated by
 arrest sought to be expunded resulted in an order of
 qualified probation, successfully completed by the

petitioner, such records shall not be eligible for expungement until 5 years have passed following the

4 (3) Those records maintained by the <u>Illinois State</u>
5 <u>Police</u> Department for persons arrested prior to their 17th
6 birthday shall be expunded as provided in Section 5-915 of
7 the Juvenile Court Act of 1987.

satisfactory termination of the probation.

Whenever a person has been arrested for or 8 (4) 9 convicted of any offense, in the name of a person whose 10 identity he or she has stolen or otherwise come into 11 possession of, the aggrieved person from whom the identity 12 was stolen or otherwise obtained without authorization, 13 upon learning of the person having been arrested using his 14 or her identity, may, upon verified petition to the chief 15 judge of the circuit wherein the arrest was made, have a 16 court order entered nunc pro tunc by the Chief Judge to 17 correct the arrest record, conviction record, if any, and all official records of the arresting authority, the 18 19 Illinois State Police Department, other criminal justice agencies, the prosecutor, and the trial court concerning 20 21 such arrest, if any, by removing his or her name from all 22 such records in connection with the arrest and conviction, 23 if any, and by inserting in the records the name of the 24 offender, if known or ascertainable, in lieu of the 25 aggrieved's name. The records of the circuit court clerk 26 shall be sealed until further order of the court upon good

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1 and the name of the aggrieved person cause shown 2 obliterated on the official index required to be kept by 3 the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but the order shall not affect any index 4 5 issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry of the order. Nothing in this Section shall limit the Illinois 6 7 Department of State Police or other criminal justice agencies or prosecutors from listing under an offender's 8 9 name the false names he or she has used.

(5) Whenever a person has been convicted of criminal 10 11 sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual assault, predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, criminal 12 13 sexual abuse, or appravated criminal sexual abuse, the 14 victim of that offense may request that the State's 15 Attorney of the county in which the conviction occurred 16 file a verified petition with the presiding trial judge at 17 the petitioner's trial to have a court order entered to seal the records of the circuit court clerk in connection 18 19 with the proceedings of the trial court concerning that 20 offense. However, the records of the arresting authority 21 and the Illinois Department of State Police concerning the 22 offense shall not be sealed. The court, upon good cause 23 shown, shall make the records of the circuit court clerk 24 in connection with the proceedings of the trial court 25 concerning the offense available for public inspection.

(6) If a conviction has been set aside on direct

1 review or on collateral attack and the court determines by clear and convincing evidence that the petitioner was 2 3 factually innocent of the charge, the court that finds the petitioner factually innocent of the charge shall enter an 4 5 expungement order for the conviction for which the petitioner has been determined to be innocent as provided 6 7 in subsection (b) of Section 5-5-4 of the Unified Code of 8 Corrections.

9 (7) Nothing in this Section shall prevent the Illinois 10 Department of State Police from maintaining all records of 11 any person who is admitted to probation upon terms and 12 conditions and who fulfills those terms and conditions pursuant to Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, 13 14 Section 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, 15 Section 70 of the Methamphetamine Control and Community 16 Protection Act, Section 5-6-3.3 or 5-6-3.4 of the Unified 17 Code of Corrections, Section 12-4.3 or subdivision (b)(1) of Section 12-3.05 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the 18 Criminal Code of 2012, Section 10-102 of the Illinois 19 Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act, Section 40-10 of 20 the Substance Use Disorder Act, or Section 10 of the 21 22 Steroid Control Act.

(8) If the petitioner has been granted a certificate
 of innocence under Section 2-702 of the Code of Civil
 Procedure, the court that grants the certificate of
 innocence shall also enter an order expunging the

conviction for which the petitioner has been determined to
 be innocent as provided in subsection (h) of Section 2-702
 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

4 (c) Sealing.

5 (1) Applicability. Notwithstanding any other provision 6 of this Act to the contrary, and cumulative with any 7 rights to expungement of criminal records, this subsection 8 authorizes the sealing of criminal records of adults and 9 of minors prosecuted as adults. Subsection (g) of this 10 Section provides for immediate sealing of certain records.

11 (2) Eligible Records. The following records may be 12 sealed:

13 (A) All arrests resulting in release without14 charging;

(B) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
resulting in acquittal, dismissal, or conviction when
the conviction was reversed or vacated, except as
excluded by subsection (a) (3) (B);

(C) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
resulting in orders of supervision, including orders
of supervision for municipal ordinance violations,
successfully completed by the petitioner, unless
excluded by subsection (a) (3);

(D) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
 resulting in convictions, including convictions on
 municipal ordinance violations, unless excluded by

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subsection (a)(3);

2 (E) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest 3 resulting in orders of first offender probation under 4 Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, Section 410 of 5 the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, Section 70 of 6 the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection 7 Act, or Section 5-6-3.3 of the Unified Code of 8 Corrections; and

9 (F) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest 10 resulting in felony convictions unless otherwise 11 excluded by subsection (a) paragraph (3) of this 12 Section.

(3) When Records Are Eligible to Be Sealed. Records
identified as eligible under subsection (c)(2) may be
sealed as follows:

16 (A) Records identified as eligible under
17 subsection (c)(2)(A) and (c)(2)(B) may be sealed at
18 any time.

(B) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph
(E) of this paragraph (3), records identified as
eligible under subsection (c) (2) (C) may be sealed 2
years after the termination of petitioner's last
sentence (as defined in subsection (a) (1) (F)).

(C) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph
(E) of this paragraph (3), records identified as
eligible under subsections (c)(2)(D), (c)(2)(E), and

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(c) (2) (F) may be sealed 3 years after the termination of the petitioner's last sentence (as defined in subsection (a) (1) (F)). Convictions requiring public registration under the Arsonist Registration Act, the Sex Offender Registration Act, or the Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Registration Act may not be sealed until the petitioner is no longer required to register under that relevant Act.

9 (D) Records identified in subsection 10 (a)(3)(A)(iii) may be sealed after the petitioner has 11 reached the age of 25 years.

12 Records identified eligible (E) as under 13 (c) (2) (C), (c) (2) (D), (c) (2) (E), subsections or 14 (c)(2)(F) may be sealed upon termination of the 15 petitioner's last sentence if the petitioner earned a 16 hiqh school diploma, associate's degree, career 17 certificate, vocational technical certification, or bachelor's degree, or passed the high school level 18 19 Test of General Educational Development, during the 20 period of his or her sentence or mandatory supervised 21 release. This subparagraph shall apply only to a 22 petitioner who has not completed the same educational 23 goal prior to the period of his or her sentence or 24 mandatory supervised release. If a petition for 25 sealing eligible records filed under this subparagraph 26 is denied by the court, the time periods under

1 2 subparagraph (B) or (C) shall apply to any subsequent petition for sealing filed by the petitioner.

(4) Subsequent felony convictions. A person may not 3 have subsequent felony conviction records sealed as 4 5 provided in this subsection (c) if he or she is convicted of any felony offense after the date of the sealing of 6 7 prior felony convictions as provided in this subsection 8 (c). The court may, upon conviction for a subsequent 9 felony offense, order the unsealing of prior felony 10 conviction records previously ordered sealed by the court.

11 (5) Notice of eligibility for sealing. Upon entry of a 12 disposition for an eligible record under this subsection 13 (c), the petitioner shall be informed by the court of the 14 right to have the records sealed and the procedures for 15 the sealing of the records.

16 (d) Procedure. The following procedures apply to 17 expungement under subsections (b), (e), and (e-6) and sealing 18 under subsections (c) and (e-5):

19 (1) Filing the petition. Upon becoming eligible to 20 petition for the expungement or sealing of records under Section, the petitioner shall file a petition 21 this 22 requesting the expungement or sealing of records with the 23 clerk of the court where the arrests occurred or the 24 charges were brought, or both. If arrests occurred or 25 charges were brought in multiple jurisdictions, a petition 26 must be filed in each such jurisdiction. The petitioner

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shall pay the applicable fee, except no fee shall be 1 2 required if the petitioner has obtained a court order 3 waiving fees under Supreme Court Rule 298 or it is otherwise waived.

5 (1.5) County fee waiver pilot program. From August 9, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 101-306) through 6 December 31, 2020, in a county of 3,000,000 or more 7 inhabitants, no fee shall be required to be paid by a 8 9 petitioner if the records sought to be expunded or sealed 10 were arrests resulting in release without charging or 11 arrests or charges not initiated by arrest resulting in 12 acquittal, dismissal, or conviction when the conviction was reversed or vacated, unless excluded by subsection 13 14 (a) (3) (B). The provisions of this paragraph (1.5), other 15 than this sentence, are inoperative on and after January 16 1, 2022.

17 (2) Contents of petition. The petition shall be verified and shall contain the petitioner's name, date of 18 19 birth, current address and, for each arrest or charge not 20 initiated by arrest sought to be sealed or expunged, the 21 case number, the date of arrest (if any), the identity of 22 the arresting authority, and such other information as the 23 court may require. During the pendency of the proceeding, the petitioner shall promptly notify the circuit court 24 25 clerk of any change of his or her address. If the 26 petitioner has received a certificate of eligibility for

1 sealing from the Prisoner Review Board under paragraph 2 (10) of subsection (a) of Section 3-3-2 of the Unified 3 Code of Corrections, the certificate shall be attached to 4 the petition.

5 (3) Drug test. The petitioner must attach to the 6 petition proof that the petitioner has passed a test taken 7 within 30 days before the filing of the petition showing 8 absence within his or her body of all illegal the 9 substances as defined by the Illinois Controlled 10 Substances Act, the Methamphetamine Control and Community 11 Protection Act, and the Cannabis Control Act if he or she 12 is petitioning to:

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(A) seal felony records under clause (c)(2)(E);

(B) seal felony records for a violation of the
Illinois Controlled Substances Act, the
Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act,
or the Cannabis Control Act under clause (c) (2) (F);

18 (C) seal felony records under subsection (e-5); or
19 (D) expunge felony records of a qualified
20 probation under clause (b) (1) (iv).

(4) Service of petition. The circuit court clerk shall promptly serve a copy of the petition and documentation to support the petition under subsection (e-5) or (e-6) on the State's Attorney or prosecutor charged with the duty of prosecuting the offense, the <u>Illinois</u> Department of State Police, the arresting agency and the chief legal officer of the unit of local government effecting the
 arrest.

3 (5) Objections.

(A) Any party entitled to notice of the petition 4 5 may file an objection to the petition. All objections shall be in writing, shall be filed with the circuit 6 7 court clerk, and shall state with specificity the basis of the objection. Whenever a person who has been 8 9 convicted of an offense is granted a pardon by the 10 Governor which specifically authorizes expungement, an 11 objection to the petition may not be filed.

(B) Objections to a petition to expunge or seal
must be filed within 60 days of the date of service of
the petition.

(6) Entry of order.

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(A) The Chief Judge of the circuit wherein the
charge was brought, any judge of that circuit
designated by the Chief Judge, or in counties of less
than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the presiding trial judge
at the petitioner's trial, if any, shall rule on the
petition to expunge or seal as set forth in this
subsection (d) (6).

(B) Unless the State's Attorney or prosecutor, the
<u>Illinois</u> Department of State Police, the arresting
agency, or the chief legal officer files an objection
to the petition to expunge or seal within 60 days from

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the date of service of the petition, the court shall enter an order granting or denying the petition.

3 (C) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the court shall not deny a petition for sealing under 4 5 this Section because the petitioner has not satisfied 6 an outstanding legal financial obligation established, 7 imposed, or originated by a court, law enforcement agency, or a municipal, State, county, or other unit 8 9 of local government, including, but not limited to, 10 any cost, assessment, fine, or fee. An outstanding 11 legal financial obligation does not include any court 12 ordered restitution to a victim under Section 5-5-6 of Unified Code of Corrections, 13 the unless the 14 restitution has been converted to a civil judgment. 15 Nothing in this subparagraph (C) waives, rescinds, or 16 abrogates a legal financial obligation or otherwise 17 eliminates or affects the right of the holder of any 18 financial obligation to pursue collection under 19 applicable federal, State, or local law.

20 (7) Hearings. If an objection is filed, the court 21 shall set a date for a hearing and notify the petitioner 22 and all parties entitled to notice of the petition of the 23 hearing date at least 30 days prior to the hearing. Prior 24 to the hearing, the State's Attorney shall consult with 25 Illinois State Police the **Department** as to the 26 appropriateness of the relief sought in the petition to expunge or seal. At the hearing, the court shall hear evidence on whether the petition should or should not be granted, and shall grant or deny the petition to expunge or seal the records based on the evidence presented at the hearing. The court may consider the following:

6 (A) the strength of the evidence supporting the 7 defendant's conviction;

8 (B) the reasons for retention of the conviction
9 records by the State;

10 (C) the petitioner's age, criminal record history,11 and employment history;

(D) the period of time between the petitioner's
arrest on the charge resulting in the conviction and
the filing of the petition under this Section; and

(E) the specific adverse consequences the
petitioner may be subject to if the petition is
denied.

(8) Service of order. After entering an order to 18 19 expunge or seal records, the court must provide copies of 20 the order to the Illinois State Police Department, in a 21 form and manner prescribed by the Illinois State Police 22 Department, to the petitioner, to the State's Attorney or 23 prosecutor charged with the duty of prosecuting the 24 offense, to the arresting agency, to the chief legal 25 officer of the unit of local government effecting the 26 arrest, and to such other criminal justice agencies as may

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(9) Implementation of order.

(A) Upon entry of an order to expunge records
 pursuant to <u>subsection</u>
 (b) (2) (A) or
 (b) (2) (B) (ii), or
 both:

6 (i) the records shall be expunged (as defined 7 in subsection (a)(1)(E)) by the arresting agency, 8 the Illinois State Police Department, and any 9 other agency as ordered by the court, within 60 10 days of the date of service of the order, unless a 11 motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order 12 is filed pursuant to paragraph (12) of subsection 13 (d) of this Section;

(ii) the records of the circuit court clerk 14 15 shall be impounded until further order of the 16 court upon good cause shown and the name of the 17 petitioner obliterated on the official index required to be kept by the circuit court clerk 18 under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but 19 20 the order shall not affect any index issued by the 21 circuit court clerk before the entry of the order; 22 and

(iii) in response to an inquiry for expunded
 records, the court, the <u>Illinois State Police</u>
 Department, or the agency receiving such inquiry,
 shall reply as it does in response to inquiries

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when no records ever existed.

(B) Upon entry of an order to expunge records pursuant to <u>subsection</u> (b)(2)(B)(i) or (b)(2)(C), or both:

(i) the records shall be expunded (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(E)) by the arresting agency and any other agency as ordered by the court, within 60 days of the date of service of the order, unless a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order is filed pursuant to paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of this Section;

(ii) the records of the circuit court clerk 12 13 shall be impounded until further order of the 14 court upon good cause shown and the name of the 15 petitioner obliterated on the official index 16 required to be kept by the circuit court clerk 17 under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but the order shall not affect any index issued by the 18 19 circuit court clerk before the entry of the order;

20 (iii) the records shall be impounded by the 21 Illinois State Police Department within 60 days of 22 the date of service of the order as ordered by the 23 court, unless a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order 24 is filed pursuant to 25 paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of this Section; 26 (iv) records impounded by the Illinois State - 28 - LRB102 23313 RLC 34481 b

Police Department may be disseminated by the 1 2 Illinois State Police Department only as required 3 by law or to the arresting authority, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for 4 5 the same or a similar offense or for the purpose of 6 sentencing for any subsequent felony, and to the 7 Department of Corrections upon conviction for any offense; and 8

9 (v) in response to an inquiry for such records 10 from anyone not authorized by law to access such 11 records, the court, the <u>Illinois State Police</u> 12 Department, or the agency receiving such inquiry 13 shall reply as it does in response to inquiries 14 when no records ever existed.

15 (B-5) Upon entry of an order to expunge records
16 under subsection (e-6):

(i) the records shall be expunded (as defined
in subsection (a) (1) (E)) by the arresting agency
and any other agency as ordered by the court,
within 60 days of the date of service of the order,
unless a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider
the order is filed under paragraph (12) of
subsection (d) of this Section;

(ii) the records of the circuit court clerk
shall be impounded until further order of the
court upon good cause shown and the name of the

petitioner obliterated on the official index required to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but the order shall not affect any index issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry of the order;

(iii) the records shall be impounded by the <u>Illinois State Police</u> Department within 60 days of the date of service of the order as ordered by the court, unless a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order is filed under paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of this Section;

12 (iv) records impounded by the Illinois State Police Department may be disseminated by the 13 14 Illinois State Police Department only as required 15 by law or to the arresting authority, the State's 16 Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for 17 the same or a similar offense or for the purpose of 18 sentencing for any subsequent felony, and to the 19 Department of Corrections upon conviction for any 20 offense; and

(v) in response to an inquiry for these
records from anyone not authorized by law to
access the records, the court, the <u>Illinois State</u>
<u>Police</u> Department, or the agency receiving the
inquiry shall reply as it does in response to
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(C) Upon entry of an order to seal records under 1 2 subsection (c), the arresting agency, any other agency 3 as ordered by the court, the Illinois State Police Department, and the court shall seal the records (as 4 5 defined in subsection (a)(1)(K)). In response to an inquiry for such records, from anyone not authorized 6 7 by law to access such records, the court, the <u>Illinois</u> State Police Department, or the agency receiving such 8 9 inquiry shall reply as it does in response to 10 inquiries when no records ever existed.

11 (D) The Illinois State Police Department shall 12 send written notice to the petitioner of its 13 compliance with each order to expunge or seal records 14 within 60 days of the date of service of that order or, 15 if a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider is filed, 16 within 60 days of service of the order resolving the 17 motion, if that order requires the Illinois State Police Department to expunge or seal records. In the 18 19 event of an appeal from the circuit court order, the 20 Illinois State Police Department shall send written 21 notice to the petitioner of its compliance with an 22 Appellate Court or Supreme Court judgment to expunge 23 or seal records within 60 days of the issuance of the 24 court's mandate. The notice is not required while any 25 motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider, or any appeal 26 or petition for discretionary appellate review, is

1 pending.

2 (E) Upon motion, the court may order that a sealed 3 or other court record necessary judgment to of demonstrate the amount anv legal 4 financial 5 obligation due and owing be made available for the limited purpose of collecting any legal financial 6 7 obligations owed by the petitioner that were established, imposed, or originated in the criminal 8 9 proceeding for which those records have been sealed. 10 The records made available under this subparagraph (E) 11 shall not be entered into the official index required 12 to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 13 of the Clerks of Courts Act and shall be immediately re-impounded upon the collection of the outstanding 14 15 financial obligations.

16 (F) Notwithstanding any other provision of this 17 Section, a circuit court clerk may access a sealed 18 record for the limited purpose of collecting payment 19 for any legal financial obligations that were 20 established, imposed, or originated in the criminal 21 proceedings for which those records have been sealed.

(10) Fees. The <u>Illinois State Police</u> Department may
charge the petitioner a fee equivalent to the cost of
processing any order to expunge or seal records.
Notwithstanding any provision of the Clerks of Courts Act
to the contrary, the circuit court clerk may charge a fee

equivalent to the cost associated with the sealing or 1 2 expungement of records by the circuit court clerk. From 3 the total filing fee collected for the petition to seal or expunge, the circuit court clerk shall deposit \$10 into 4 5 the Circuit Court Clerk Operation and Administrative Fund, 6 to be used to offset the costs incurred by the circuit 7 court clerk in performing the additional duties required to serve the petition to seal or expunge on all parties. 8 9 The circuit court clerk shall collect and remit the Illinois Department of State Police portion of the fee to 10 11 the State Treasurer and it shall be deposited in the State 12 Police Services Fund. If the record brought under an expundement petition was previously sealed under this 13 14 Section, the fee for the expungement petition for that 15 same record shall be waived.

16 (11) Final Order. No court order issued under the 17 expungement or sealing provisions of this Section shall 18 become final for purposes of appeal until 30 days after 19 service of the order on the petitioner and all parties 20 entitled to notice of the petition.

(12) Motion to Vacate, Modify, or Reconsider. Under Section 2-1203 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the petitioner or any party entitled to notice may file a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order granting or denying the petition to expunge or seal within 60 days of service of the order. If filed more than 60 days after service of the order, a petition to vacate, modify, or reconsider shall comply with subsection (c) of Section 2-1401 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Upon filing of a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider, notice of the motion shall be served upon the petitioner and all parties entitled to notice of the petition.

7 (13) Effect of Order. An order granting a petition under the expungement or sealing provisions of this 8 9 Section shall not be considered void because it fails to 10 comply with the provisions of this Section or because of 11 any error asserted in a motion to vacate, modify, or 12 reconsider. The circuit court retains jurisdiction to determine whether the order is voidable and to vacate, 13 14 modify, or reconsider its terms based on a motion filed 15 under paragraph (12) of this subsection (d).

16 (14) Compliance with Order Granting Petition to Seal 17 Records. Unless a court has entered a stay of an order granting a petition to seal, all parties entitled to 18 19 notice of the petition must fully comply with the terms of 20 the order within 60 days of service of the order even if a 21 party is seeking relief from the order through a motion 22 filed under paragraph (12) of this subsection (d) or is 23 appealing the order.

(15) Compliance with Order Granting Petition to
 Expunge Records. While a party is seeking relief from the
 order granting the petition to expunge through a motion

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filed under paragraph (12) of this subsection (d) or is appealing the order, and unless a court has entered a stay of that order, the parties entitled to notice of the petition must seal, but need not expunge, the records until there is a final order on the motion for relief or, in the case of an appeal, the issuance of that court's mandate.

8 (16) The changes to this subsection (d) made by Public 9 Act 98-163 apply to all petitions pending on August 5, 10 2013 (the effective date of Public Act 98-163) and to all 11 orders ruling on a petition to expunge or seal on or after 12 August 5, 2013 (the effective date of Public Act 98-163).

13 (e) Whenever a person who has been convicted of an offense 14 granted a pardon by the Governor which specifically is 15 authorizes expungement, he or she may, upon verified petition 16 to the Chief Judge of the circuit where the person had been 17 convicted, any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief Judge, or in counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the 18 presiding trial judge at the defendant's trial, have a court 19 20 order entered expunging the record of arrest from the official 21 records of the arresting authority and order that the records 22 of the circuit court clerk and the Illinois State Police 23 Department be sealed until further order of the court upon good cause shown or as otherwise provided herein, and the name 24 25 of the defendant obliterated from the official index requested 26 to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the

Clerks of Courts Act in connection with the arrest 1 and 2 conviction for the offense for which he or she had been pardoned but the order shall not affect any index issued by the 3 circuit court clerk before the entry of the order. All records 4 5 sealed by the Illinois State Police Department may be disseminated by the Illinois State Police Department only to 6 7 the arresting authority, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for the same or similar offense or for the 8 9 purpose of sentencing for any subsequent felony. Upon 10 conviction for any subsequent offense, the Department of 11 Corrections shall have access to all sealed records of the 12 Illinois State Police Department pertaining to that 13 individual. Upon entry of the order of expungement, the circuit court clerk shall promptly mail a copy of the order to 14 15 the person who was pardoned.

16 (e-5) Whenever a person who has been convicted of an 17 offense is granted a certificate of eligibility for sealing by the Prisoner Review Board which specifically authorizes 18 sealing, he or she may, upon verified petition to the Chief 19 20 Judge of the circuit where the person had been convicted, any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief Judge, or in 21 22 counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the presiding 23 trial judge at the petitioner's trial, have a court order entered sealing the record of arrest from the official records 24 25 of the arresting authority and order that the records of the 26 circuit court clerk and the Illinois State Police Department

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be sealed until further order of the court upon good cause 1 2 shown or as otherwise provided herein, and the name of the petitioner obliterated from the official index requested to be 3 kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks 4 5 of Courts Act in connection with the arrest and conviction for the offense for which he or she had been granted the 6 7 certificate but the order shall not affect any index issued by 8 the circuit court clerk before the entry of the order. All 9 records sealed by the <u>Illinois State Police</u> Department may be 10 disseminated by the Illinois State Police Department only as 11 required by this Act or to the arresting authority, a law 12 enforcement agency, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a 13 later arrest for the same or similar offense or for the purpose of sentencing for any subsequent felony. Upon conviction for 14 15 any subsequent offense, the Department of Corrections shall 16 have access to all sealed records of the Illinois State Police 17 Department pertaining to that individual. Upon entry of the order of sealing, the circuit court clerk shall promptly mail 18 19 a copy of the order to the person who was granted the 20 certificate of eligibility for sealing.

(e-6) Whenever a person who has been convicted of an 21 22 offense is granted a certificate of eligibility for 23 expungement by the Prisoner Review Board which specifically authorizes expungement, he or she may, upon verified petition 24 25 to the Chief Judge of the circuit where the person had been 26 convicted, any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief

Judge, or in counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the 1 2 presiding trial judge at the petitioner's trial, have a court order entered expunging the record of arrest from the official 3 records of the arresting authority and order that the records 4 5 of the circuit court clerk and the Illinois State Police Department be sealed until further order of the court upon 6 good cause shown or as otherwise provided herein, and the name 7 of the petitioner obliterated from the official 8 index 9 requested to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 10 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act in connection with the arrest and conviction for the offense for which he or she had been 11 12 granted the certificate but the order shall not affect any 13 index issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry of the 14 order. All records sealed by the Illinois State Police 15 Department may be disseminated by the Illinois State Police 16 Department only as required by this Act or to the arresting 17 authority, a law enforcement agency, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for the same or similar offense 18 19 or for the purpose of sentencing for any subsequent felony. 20 Upon conviction for any subsequent offense, the Department of Corrections shall have access to all expunged records of the 21 22 Illinois State Police Department pertaining to that 23 individual. Upon entry of the order of expungement, the circuit court clerk shall promptly mail a copy of the order to 24 25 the person who was granted the certificate of eligibility for 26 expungement.

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(f) Subject to available funding, the Illinois Department 1 2 of Corrections shall conduct a study of the impact of sealing, 3 especially on employment and recidivism rates, utilizing a random sample of those who apply for the sealing of their 4 5 criminal records under Public Act 93-211. At the request of Department of Corrections, records of the 6 the Illinois 7 Illinois Department of Employment Security shall be utilized 8 as appropriate to assist in the study. The study shall not 9 disclose anv data in a manner that would allow the 10 identification of any particular individual or employing unit. 11 The study shall be made available to the General Assembly no 12 later than September 1, 2010.

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(g) Immediate Sealing.

(1) Applicability. Notwithstanding any other provision
of this Act to the contrary, and cumulative with any
rights to expungement or sealing of criminal records, this
subsection authorizes the immediate sealing of criminal
records of adults and of minors prosecuted as adults.

19 (2) Eligible Records. Arrests or charges not initiated 20 by arrest resulting in acquittal or dismissal with 21 prejudice, except as excluded by subsection (a)(3)(B), 22 that occur on or after January 1, 2018 (the effective date 23 of Public Act 100-282), may be sealed immediately if the petition is filed with the circuit court clerk on the same 24 25 day and during the same hearing in which the case is 26 disposed.

1 (3) When Records are Eligible to be Immediately 2 Sealed. Eligible records under paragraph (2) of this 3 subsection (g) may be sealed immediately after entry of 4 the final disposition of a case, notwithstanding the 5 disposition of other charges in the same case.

6 (4) Notice of Eligibility for Immediate Sealing. Upon 7 entry of a disposition for an eligible record under this 8 subsection (g), the defendant shall be informed by the 9 court of his or her right to have eligible records 10 immediately sealed and the procedure for the immediate 11 sealing of these records.

12 (5) Procedure. The following procedures apply to13 immediate sealing under this subsection (g).

14 (A) Filing the Petition. Upon entry of the final 15 disposition of the case, the defendant's attorney may 16 immediately petition the court, on behalf of the 17 defendant, for immediate sealing of eligible records under paragraph (2) of this subsection (g) that are 18 entered on or after January 1, 2018 (the effective 19 date of Public Act 100-282). The immediate sealing 20 petition may be filed with the circuit court clerk 21 22 during the hearing in which the final disposition of 23 the case is entered. If the defendant's attorney does 24 not file the petition for immediate sealing during the 25 hearing, the defendant may file a petition for sealing 26 at any time as authorized under subsection (c)(3)(A).

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1 (B) Contents of Petition. The immediate sealing 2 petition shall be verified and shall contain the 3 petitioner's name, date of birth, current address, and 4 for each eligible record, the case number, the date of 5 arrest if applicable, the identity of the arresting 6 authority if applicable, and other information as the 7 court may require.

8 (C) Drug Test. The petitioner shall not be 9 required to attach proof that he or she has passed a 10 drug test.

(D) Service of Petition. A copy of the petition
shall be served on the State's Attorney in open court.
The petitioner shall not be required to serve a copy of
the petition on any other agency.

15 (E) Entry of Order. The presiding trial judge 16 shall enter an order granting or denying the petition 17 for immediate sealing during the hearing in which it 18 is filed. Petitions for immediate sealing shall be 19 ruled on in the same hearing in which the final 20 disposition of the case is entered.

(F) Hearings. The court shall hear the petition
for immediate sealing on the same day and during the
same hearing in which the disposition is rendered.

(G) Service of Order. An order to immediately seal
eligible records shall be served in conformance with
subsection (d) (8).

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(H) Implementation of Order. An order to immediately seal records shall be implemented in conformance with subsections (d)(9)(C) and (d)(9)(D).

(I) Fees. The fee imposed by the circuit court clerk and the <u>Illinois</u> Department of State Police shall comply with paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of this Section.

8 (J) Final Order. No court order issued under this 9 subsection (g) shall become final for purposes of 10 appeal until 30 days after service of the order on the 11 petitioner and all parties entitled to service of the 12 order in conformance with subsection (d)(8).

13 (K) Motion to Vacate, Modify, or Reconsider. Under Section 2-1203 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the 14 15 petitioner, State's Attorney, or the Illinois 16 Department of State Police may file a motion to 17 vacate, modify, or reconsider the order denying the petition to immediately seal within 60 days of service 18 of the order. If filed more than 60 days after service 19 of the order, a petition to vacate, modify, or 20 21 reconsider shall comply with subsection (c) of Section 22 2-1401 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

(L) Effect of Order. An order granting an
 immediate sealing petition shall not be considered
 void because it fails to comply with the provisions of
 this Section or because of an error asserted in a

1 motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider. The circuit 2 court retains jurisdiction to determine whether the 3 order is voidable, and to vacate, modify, or 4 reconsider its terms based on a motion filed under 5 subparagraph (L) of this subsection (g).

6 (M) Compliance with Order Granting Petition to 7 Seal Records. Unless a court has entered a stay of an 8 order granting a petition to immediately seal, all 9 parties entitled to service of the order must fully 10 comply with the terms of the order within 60 days of 11 service of the order.

12 (h) Sealing; trafficking victims.

(1) A trafficking victim as defined by paragraph (10) 13 14 of subsection (a) of Section 10-9 of the Criminal Code of 15 2012 shall be eligible to petition for immediate sealing 16 of his or her criminal record upon the completion of his or 17 her last sentence if his or her participation in the direct result of 18 underlying offense was а human 19 trafficking under Section 10-9 of the Criminal Code of 20 2012 or a severe form of trafficking under the federal 21 Trafficking Victims Protection Act.

(2) A petitioner under this subsection (h), in
addition to the requirements provided under paragraph (4)
of subsection (d) of this Section, shall include in his or
her petition a clear and concise statement that: (A) he or
she was a victim of human trafficking at the time of the

offense; and (B) that his or her participation in the offense was a direct result of human trafficking under Section 10-9 of the Criminal Code of 2012 or a severe form of trafficking under the federal Trafficking Victims Protection Act.

6 (3) If an objection is filed alleging that the 7 petitioner is not entitled to immediate sealing under this 8 subsection (h), the court shall conduct a hearing under 9 paragraph (7) of subsection (d) of this Section and the 10 court shall determine whether the petitioner is entitled 11 immediate sealing under this subsection (h). A to 12 petitioner is eligible for immediate relief under this 13 subsection (h) if he or she shows, by a preponderance of the evidence, that: (A) he or she was a victim of human 14 15 trafficking at the time of the offense; and (B) that his or 16 her participation in the offense was a direct result of 17 human trafficking under Section 10-9 of the Criminal Code of 2012 or a severe form of trafficking under the federal 18 Trafficking Victims Protection Act. 19

20 (i) Minor Cannabis Offenses under the Cannabis Control21 Act.

(1) Expungement of Arrest Records of Minor CannabisOffenses.

(A) The <u>Illinois</u> Department of State Police and
 all law enforcement agencies within the State shall
 automatically expunge all criminal history records of

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an arrest, charge not initiated by arrest, order of
 supervision, or order of qualified probation for a
 Minor Cannabis Offense committed prior to June 25,
 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 101-27) if:

5 (i) One year or more has elapsed since the 6 date of the arrest or law enforcement interaction 7 documented in the records; and

(ii) No criminal charges were filed relating 8 9 to the arrest or law enforcement interaction or 10 criminal charges were filed and subsequently 11 dismissed or vacated or the arrestee was 12 acquitted.

(B) If the law enforcement agency is unable to
verify satisfaction of condition (ii) in paragraph
(A), records that satisfy condition (i) in paragraph
(A) shall be automatically expunged.

(C) Records shall be expunged by the law enforcement agency under the following timelines:

19 (i) Records created prior to June 25, 2019 20 (the effective date of Public Act 101-27), but on 21 or after January 1, 2013, shall be automatically 22 expunged prior to January 1, 2021;

23 (ii) Records created prior to January 1, 2013,
24 but on or after January 1, 2000, shall be
25 automatically expunded prior to January 1, 2023;
26 (iii) Records created prior to January 1, 2000

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shall be automatically expunded prior to January
 1, 2025.

In response to an inquiry for expunged records, the law enforcement agency receiving such inquiry shall reply as it does in response to inquiries when no records ever existed; however, it shall provide a certificate of disposition or confirmation that the record was expunged to the individual whose record was expunged if such a record exists.

10 (D) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to 11 restrict or modify an individual's right to have that 12 individual's records expunged except as otherwise may 13 be provided in this Act, or diminish or abrogate any 14 rights or remedies otherwise available to the 15 individual.

16 (2) Pardons Authorizing Expungement of Minor Cannabis17 Offenses.

18 (A) Upon June 25, 2019 (the effective date of
19 Public Act 101-27), the Department of State Police
20 shall review all criminal history record information
21 and identify all records that meet all of the
22 following criteria:

(i) one or more convictions, satisfactory
 terminations of supervision, or satisfactory
 terminations of qualified probation for a Minor
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(ii) the conviction, satisfactory termination
 of supervision, or satisfactory termination of
 qualified probation identified in paragraph
 (2) (A) (i) did not include a penalty enhancement
 under Section 7 of the Cannabis Control Act; and

6 (iii) the conviction, satisfactory termination 7 of supervision, or satisfactory termination of 8 <u>qualified probation</u> identified in paragraph 9 (2)(A)(i) is not associated with a conviction for 10 a violent crime as defined in subsection (c) of 11 Section 3 of the Rights of Crime Victims and 12 Witnesses Act.

(B) Within 180 days after June 25, 2019 (the
effective date of Public Act 101-27), the Department
of State Police shall notify the Prisoner Review Board
of all such records that meet the criteria established
in paragraph (2) (A).

(i) The Prisoner Review Board shall notify the 18 19 State's Attorney of the county of conviction of 20 each record identified by State Police in paragraph (2)(A) that is classified as a Class 4 21 22 felony. The State's Attorney may provide a written 23 objection to the Prisoner Review Board on the sole basis that the record identified does not meet the 24 25 criteria established in paragraph (2)(A). Such an 26 objection must be filed within 60 days or by such

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later date set by the Prisoner Review Board in the notice after the State's Attorney received notice from the Prisoner Review Board.

4 (ii) In response to a written objection from a 5 State's Attorney, the Prisoner Review Board is 6 authorized to conduct a non-public hearing to 7 evaluate the information provided in the 8 objection.

9 (iii) The Prisoner Review Board shall make a 10 confidential and privileged recommendation to the 11 Governor as to whether to grant а pardon 12 authorizing expungement for each of the records 13 identified by the Department of State Police as 14 described in paragraph (2) (A).

15 (C) If an individual has been granted a pardon 16 authorizing expungement as described in this Section, 17 Prisoner Review Board, through the Attorney the General, shall file a petition for expungement with 18 19 the Chief Judge of the circuit or any judge of the 20 circuit designated by the Chief Judge where the 21 individual had been convicted. Such petition may 22 include more than one individual. Whenever an 23 individual who has been convicted of an offense is 24 granted a pardon by the Governor that specifically 25 authorizes expungement, an objection to the petition 26 may not be filed. Petitions to expunge under this

subsection (i) may include more than one individual. 1 Within 90 days of the filing of such a petition, the 2 3 court shall enter an order expunging the records of arrest from the official records of the arresting 4 5 authority and order that the records of the circuit 6 court clerk and the <u>Illinois</u> Department of State 7 Police be expunged and the name of the defendant 8 obliterated from the official index requested to be 9 kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the 10 Clerks of Courts Act in connection with the arrest and 11 conviction for the offense for which the individual 12 had received a pardon but the order shall not affect 13 any index issued by the circuit court clerk before the 14 entry of the order. Upon entry of the order of 15 expungement, the circuit court clerk shall promptly 16 provide a copy of the order and a certificate of 17 disposition to the individual who was pardoned to the individual's last known address or by electronic means 18 (if available) or otherwise make it available to the 19 20 individual upon request.

(D) Nothing in this Section is intended to
diminish or abrogate any rights or remedies otherwise
available to the individual.

(3) Any individual may file a motion to vacate and
expunge a conviction for a misdemeanor or Class 4 felony
violation of Section 4 or Section 5 of the Cannabis

Control Act. Motions to vacate and expunge under this 1 2 subsection (i) may be filed with the circuit court, Chief 3 Judge of a judicial circuit or any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief Judge. The circuit court clerk 4 5 shall promptly serve a copy of the motion to vacate and 6 expunge, and any supporting documentation, on the State's 7 Attorney or prosecutor charged with the duty of 8 prosecuting the offense. When considering such a motion to 9 vacate and expunge, a court shall consider the following: to retain the records provided by law 10 the reasons 11 enforcement, the petitioner's age, the petitioner's age at 12 the time of offense, the time since the conviction, and 13 the specific adverse consequences if denied. An individual 14 may file such a petition after the completion of any 15 non-financial sentence or non-financial condition imposed 16 by the conviction. Within 60 days of the filing of such 17 motion, a State's Attorney may file an objection to such a petition along with supporting evidence. If a motion to 18 19 vacate and expunge is granted, the records shall be 20 expunged in accordance with subparagraphs (d)(8) and 21 (d) (9) (A) of this Section. An agency providing civil legal 22 aid, as defined by Section 15 of the Public Interest 23 Attorney Assistance Act, assisting individuals seeking to 24 file a motion to vacate and expunge under this subsection 25 may file motions to vacate and expunge with the Chief 26 Judge of a judicial circuit or any judge of the circuit

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designated by the Chief Judge, and the motion may include 1 2 more than one individual. Motions filed by an agency 3 providing civil legal aid concerning more than one individual may be prepared, presented, and signed 5 electronically.

(4) Any State's Attorney may file a motion to vacate 6 7 and expunge a conviction for a misdemeanor or Class 4 felony violation of Section 4 or Section 5 of the Cannabis 8 9 Control Act. Motions to vacate and expunge under this 10 subsection (i) may be filed with the circuit court, Chief 11 Judge of a judicial circuit or any judge of the circuit 12 designated by the Chief Judge, and may include more than 13 individual. Motions filed by a State's Attorney one 14 concerning more than one individual may be prepared, 15 presented, and signed electronically. When considering 16 such a motion to vacate and expunge, a court shall 17 consider the following: the reasons to retain the records provided by law enforcement, the individual's age, the 18 19 individual's age at the time of offense, the time since 20 the conviction, and the specific adverse consequences if 21 denied. Upon entry of an order granting a motion to vacate 22 and expunge records pursuant to this Section, the State's 23 Attorney shall notify the Prisoner Review Board within 30 24 days. Upon entry of the order of expungement, the circuit 25 court clerk shall promptly provide a copy of the order and 26 a certificate of disposition to the individual whose records will be expunged to the individual's last known address or by electronic means (if available) or otherwise make available to the individual upon request. If a motion to vacate and expunge is granted, the records shall be expunged in accordance with subparagraphs (d)(8) and (d)(9)(A) of this Section.

7 (5) In the public interest, the State's Attorney of a
8 county has standing to file motions to vacate and expunge
9 pursuant to this Section in the circuit court with
10 jurisdiction over the underlying conviction.

11 (6) If a person is arrested for a Minor Cannabis 12 Offense as defined in this Section before June 25, 2019 13 (the effective date of Public Act 101-27) and the person's 14 case is still pending but a sentence has not been imposed, 15 the person may petition the court in which the charges are 16 pending for an order to summarily dismiss those charges 17 against him or her, and expunge all official records of his or her arrest, plea, trial, conviction, incarceration, 18 19 supervision, or expungement. If the court determines, upon 20 review, that: (A) the person was arrested before June 25, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 101-27) for an 21 22 offense that has been made eligible for expungement; (B) 23 the case is pending at the time; and (C) the person has not 24 been sentenced of the minor cannabis violation eligible 25 for expungement under this subsection, the court shall 26 consider the following: the reasons to retain the records

provided by law enforcement, the petitioner's age, the petitioner's age at the time of offense, the time since the conviction, and the specific adverse consequences if denied. If a motion to dismiss and expunge is granted, the records shall be expunged in accordance with subparagraph (d) (9) (A) of this Section.

7 (7) A person imprisoned solely as a result of one or
8 more convictions for Minor Cannabis Offenses under this
9 subsection (i) shall be released from incarceration upon
10 the issuance of an order under this subsection.

11 (8) The <u>Illinois</u> Department of State Police shall 12 allow a person to use the access and review process, 13 established in the <u>Illinois</u> Department of State Police, 14 for verifying that his or her records relating to Minor 15 Cannabis Offenses of the Cannabis Control Act eligible 16 under this Section have been expunged.

17 (9) No conviction vacated pursuant to this Section
18 shall serve as the basis for damages for time unjustly
19 served as provided in the Court of Claims Act.

(10) Effect of Expungement. A person's right to
expunge an expungeable offense shall not be limited under
this Section. The effect of an order of expungement shall
be to restore the person to the status he or she occupied
before the arrest, charge, or conviction.

(11) Information. The <u>Illinois</u> Department of State
 Police shall post general information on its website about

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the expungement process described in this subsection (i). (j) Felony Prostitution Convictions.

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3 (1) Any individual may file a motion to vacate and expunge a conviction for a prior Class 4 felony violation 4 5 of prostitution. Motions to vacate and expunge under this subsection (j) may be filed with the circuit court, Chief 6 7 Judge of a judicial circuit, or any judge of the circuit 8 designated by the Chief Judge. When considering the motion 9 to vacate and expunge, a court shall consider the 10 following:

11 (A) the reasons to retain the records provided by12 law enforcement;

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(B) the petitioner's age;

14 (C) the petitioner's age at the time of offense;15 and

16 (D) the time since the conviction, and the 17 specific adverse consequences if denied. An individual may file the petition after the completion of any 18 19 sentence or condition imposed by the conviction. 20 Within 60 days of the filing of the motion, a State's Attorney may file an objection to the petition along 21 22 with supporting evidence. If a motion to vacate and expunge is granted, the records shall be expunged in 23 24 accordance with subparagraph (d)(9)(A) of this 25 Section. An agency providing civil legal aid, as defined in Section 15 of the Public Interest Attorney 26

Assistance Act, assisting individuals seeking to file a motion to vacate and expunge under this subsection may file motions to vacate and expunge with the Chief Judge of a judicial circuit or any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief Judge, and the motion may include more than one individual.

7 (2) Any State's Attorney may file a motion to vacate and expunge a conviction for a Class 4 felony violation of 8 9 prostitution. Motions to vacate and expunge under this 10 subsection (j) may be filed with the circuit court, Chief 11 Judge of a judicial circuit, or any judge of the circuit 12 court designated by the Chief Judge, and may include more 13 than one individual. When considering the motion to vacate 14 and expunge, a court shall consider the following reasons:

15 (A) the reasons to retain the records provided by16 law enforcement;

(B) the petitioner's age;

18 (C) the petitioner's age at the time of offense;

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(D) the time since the conviction; and

20 (E) the specific adverse consequences if denied.

If the State's Attorney files a motion to vacate and expunge records for felony prostitution convictions pursuant to this Section, the State's Attorney shall notify the Prisoner Review Board within 30 days of the filing. If a motion to vacate and expunge is granted, the records shall be expunged in accordance with subparagraph

1 (d) (9) (A) of this Section.

(3) In the public interest, the State's Attorney of a
county has standing to file motions to vacate and expunge
pursuant to this Section in the circuit court with
jurisdiction over the underlying conviction.

6 (4) The Illinois State Police shall allow a person to 7 a use the access and review process, established in the 8 Illinois State Police, for verifying that his or her 9 records relating to felony prostitution eligible under 10 this Section have been expunged.

11 (5) No conviction vacated pursuant to this Section
12 shall serve as the basis for damages for time unjustly
13 served as provided in the Court of Claims Act.

14 (6) Effect of Expungement. A person's right to expunge
15 an expungeable offense shall not be limited under this
16 Section. The effect of an order of expungement shall be to
17 restore the person to the status he or she occupied before
18 the arrest, charge, or conviction.

(7) Information. The Illinois State Police shall post
 general information on its website about the expungement
 process described in this subsection (j).

22 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19;
23 101-159, eff. 1-1-20; 101-306, eff. 8-9-19; 101-593, eff.
24 12-4-19; 101-645, eff. 6-26-20; 102-145, eff. 7-23-21;
25 102-558, 8-20-21; 102-639, eff. 8-27-21; revised 10-5-21.)

- Section 10. The State Finance Act is amended by changing
 Section 6z-112 as follows:
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(30 ILCS 105/6z-112)

Sec. 6z-112. The Cannabis Regulation Fund.

5 (a) There is created the Cannabis Regulation Fund in the 6 State treasury, subject to appropriations unless otherwise 7 provided in this Section. All moneys collected under the 8 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act shall be deposited into the 9 Cannabis Regulation Fund, consisting of taxes, license fees, 10 other fees, and any other amounts required to be deposited or 11 transferred into the Fund.

12 (b) Whenever the Department of Revenue determines that a 13 refund should be made under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax 14 Act to a claimant, the Department of Revenue shall submit a 15 voucher for payment to the State Comptroller, who shall cause 16 the order to be drawn for the amount specified and to the person named in the notification from the Department of 17 Revenue. This subsection (b) shall constitute an irrevocable 18 19 and continuing appropriation of all amounts necessary for the 20 payment of refunds out of the Fund as authorized under this 21 subsection (b).

(c) On or before the 25th day of each calendar month, the Department of Revenue shall prepare and certify to the State Comptroller the transfer and allocations of stated sums of money from the Cannabis Regulation Fund to other named funds - 57 - LRB102 23313 RLC 34481 b

in the State treasury. The amount subject to transfer shall be the amount of the taxes, license fees, other fees, and any other amounts paid into the Fund during the second preceding calendar month, minus the refunds made under subsection (b) during the second preceding calendar month by the Department. The transfers shall be certified as follows:

7 (1) The Department of Revenue shall first determine 8 allocations which shall remain in the Cannabis the 9 Regulation Fund, subject to appropriations, to pay for the 10 direct and indirect costs associated with the 11 implementation, administration, and enforcement of the 12 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act by the Department of Revenue, the Department of State Police, the Department of 13 14 Financial and Professional Regulation, the Department of 15 Agriculture, the Department of Public Health, the 16 Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and the 17 Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.

(2) After the allocations have been made as provided 18 19 in paragraph (1) of this subsection (c), of the remainder 20 of the amount subject to transfer for the month as determined in this subsection (c), the Department shall 21 22 certify the transfer into the Cannabis Expungement Fund 23 1/12 of the fiscal year amount appropriated from the 24 Cannabis Expungement Fund for payment of costs incurred by 25 clerks of the circuit court State courts, the Attorney 26 General, State's Attorneys, civil legal aid, as defined by

1 Section 15 of the Public Interest Attorney Assistance Act, 2 and the Department of State Police to facilitate petitions 3 for expungement of Minor Cannabis Offenses pursuant to Public Act 101-27, as adjusted by any supplemental 4 5 appropriation, plus cumulative deficiencies in such 6 transfers for prior months. Allocations to the clerks of 7 the circuit court shall be appropriated to the Supreme 8 Court for disbursement to the circuit clerks to be 9 deposited into the Circuit Court Clerk Operation and 10 Administrative Fund.

11 (3) After the allocations have been made as provided 12 in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection (c), the 13 Department of Revenue shall certify to the State 14 Comptroller and the State Treasurer shall transfer the 15 amounts that the Department of Revenue determines shall be 16 transferred into the following named funds according to 17 the following:

(A) 2% shall be transferred to the Drug Treatment 18 19 Fund to be used by the Department of Human Services 20 for: (i) developing and administering a scientifically 21 and medically accurate public education campaign 22 educating youth and adults about the health and safety 23 risks of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drug use (including 24 prescription drugs), and cannabis, including use by 25 pregnant women; and (ii) data collection and analysis 26 of the public health impacts of legalizing the

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recreational use of cannabis. Expenditures for these purposes shall be subject to appropriations.

3 (B) 88 shall be transferred to the Local Government Distributive Fund and allocated as provided 4 5 in Section 2 of the State Revenue Sharing Act. The 6 monevs shall be used to fund crime prevention 7 interdiction programs, training, and efforts, including detection, enforcement, and prevention 8 9 efforts, relating to the illegal cannabis market and 10 driving under the influence of cannabis.

11 (C) 25% shall be transferred to the Criminal 12 Justice Information Projects Fund to be used for the 13 purposes of the Restore, Reinvest, and Renew Program 14 to address economic development, violence prevention 15 services, re-entry services, youth development, and 16 civil legal aid, as defined by Section 15 of the Public 17 Attorney Assistance Act. The Interest Restore, 18 Reinvest, and Renew Program shall address these issues 19 through targeted investments and intervention programs 20 and promotion of an employment infrastructure and 21 capacity building related to the social determinants 22 of health in impacted community areas. Expenditures for these purposes shall be subject to appropriations. 23

(D) 20% shall be transferred to the Department of
 Human Services Community Services Fund, to be used to
 address substance abuse and prevention and mental

health concerns, including treatment, education, and 1 2 prevention to address the negative impacts of 3 substance abuse and mental health issues, including concentrated poverty, violence, and the historical 4 overuse of criminal justice responses in certain 5 communities, on the individual, family, and community, 6 7 including federal, State, and local governments, 8 health care institutions and providers, and 9 correctional facilities. Expenditures for these 10 purposes shall be subject to appropriations.

11 (E) 10% shall be transferred to the Budget
12 Stabilization Fund.

13 (F) 35%, or any remaining balance, shall be
14 transferred to the General Revenue Fund.

As soon as may be practical, but no later than 10 days after receipt, by the State Comptroller of the transfer certification provided for in this subsection (c) to be given to the State Comptroller by the Department of Revenue, the State Comptroller shall direct and the State Treasurer shall transfer the respective amounts in accordance with the directions contained in such certification.

(d) On July 1, 2019 the Department of Revenue shall
certify to the State Comptroller and the State Treasurer shall
transfer \$5,000,000 from the Compassionate Use of Medical
Cannabis Fund to the Cannabis Regulation Fund.

26 (e) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary and

except as otherwise provided in this Section, this Fund is not subject to sweeps, administrative charge-backs, or any other fiscal or budgetary maneuver that would in any way transfer any amounts from this Fund into any other fund of the State.

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5 (f) The Cannabis Regulation Fund shall retain a balance of
\$1,000,000 for the purposes of administrative costs.

7 (g) In Fiscal Year 2024 the allocations in subsection (c) 8 of this Section shall be reviewed and adjusted if the General 9 Assembly finds there is a greater need for funding for a 10 specific purpose in the State as it relates to Public Act 11 101-27.

12 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21.)