

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB3037
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Research Analysis

HB 3037 modifies the qualifications for expungement of criminal arrest records for persons convicted of misdemeanor offenses by allowing persons to seek expungement if the person was sentenced to a fine of less than \$1,001. Currently, the fine limit is \$501. The measure also lowers the time limit from 5 years to 3 years during which a person must not have any charges pending before being eligible for an expungement. The measure lowers from seven years to 5 years the time period a person must not have been convicted of a separate misdemeanor before being eligible for expungement. The measure also allows persons who received a deferred sentence for one or more felony offenses to be eligible for an expungement. A person who successfully completes a diversion program for either a misdemeanor or felony offense is immediately eligible to have the offense expunged after completion of all court-ordered program conditions and payment of all fines, fees, costs, and assessments. A person who has had a felony conviction expunged is to have restored the right to possess any firearm or other weapon and the right to apply for and carry a handgun, concealed or unconcealed, and have the right to perform the duties of a peace officer or gunsmith, and for purposes of performing firearm repairs.

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Fiscal Analysis

This measure modifies the provisions of and qualifications for expungement of criminal arrest records for persons convicted of various offenses. In its current form, HB3037 is not anticipated to have an impact on state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.