

Assembly Bill No. 23—Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT relating to governmental administration; authorizing state agencies and political subdivisions to request and receive certain information concerning a person applying to attend an academy for training peace officers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes an agency of the State or a political subdivision to request of or receive from the Federal Bureau of Investigation information on the background and personal history of certain persons. (NRS 239B.010) Except where federal law sets forth specific procedures for the request and receipt of such information, the information must be requested and received through the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History. (NRS 239B.010) Existing law authorizes the Nevada Highway Patrol Division of the Department of Public Safety to request of or receive from the Bureau information on the background and personal history of certain persons. (NRS 179A.075)

This bill expands the list of persons regarding whom an agency of the State, a political subdivision and the Nevada Highway Patrol Division may request of or receive from the Federal Bureau of Investigation information on the person's background and personal history to include persons who are applying to attend an academy for training peace officers approved by the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 239B.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

239B.010 1. Any agency of the State or any political subdivision may request of and receive from the Federal Bureau of Investigation information on the background and personal history of any person:

(a) Who has applied to it for a license as required by any statute or local ordinance which it has the power to grant or deny;

(b) With whom it intends to enter into a relationship of employment or a contract for personal services; ~~or~~

(c) *Who has applied to it to attend an academy for training peace officers approved by the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission; or*

(d) About whom it has a legitimate need to have accurate personal information for the protection of the agency or the people within its jurisdiction.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3:

(a) To request and receive information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning a person pursuant to subsection 1, the agency or political subdivision must:

(1) Require the person to submit a complete set of his fingerprints; and

(2) Forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.

(b) Only the Central Repository may:

(1) Receive fingerprints from an agency of the State or any political subdivision for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation pursuant to this section;

(2) Submit those fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

(3) Receive a report from the Federal Bureau of Investigation based on the submission of those fingerprints.

3. If an agency or political subdivision that wishes to request and receive information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning a person pursuant to subsection 1 is required by federal law to comply with specific procedures to request and receive such information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

(a) The provisions of subsection 2 do not apply to the agency or political subdivision; and

(b) The agency or political subdivision must comply with the specific procedures required by federal law.

Sec. 2. NRS 179A.075 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179A.075 1. The Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History is hereby created within the Nevada Highway Patrol Division of the Department.

2. Each agency of criminal justice and any other agency dealing with crime or delinquency of children shall:

(a) Collect and maintain records, reports and compilations of statistical data required by the Department; and

(b) Submit the information collected to the Central Repository in the manner recommended by the Advisory Committee and approved by the Director of the Department.

3. Each agency of criminal justice shall submit the information relating to records of criminal history that it creates or issues, and any information in its possession relating to the genetic markers of a biological specimen of a person who is convicted of an offense listed in subsection 4 of NRS 176.0913, to the Division in the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department. The information must be submitted to the Division:

(a) Through an electronic network;

(b) On a medium of magnetic storage; or

(c) In the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department, ~~→~~ within the period prescribed by the Director of the Department. If an agency has submitted a record regarding the arrest of a person who is later determined by the agency not to be the person who

committed the particular crime, the agency shall, immediately upon making that determination, so notify the Division. The Division shall delete all references in the Central Repository relating to that particular arrest.

4. The Division shall, in the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department:

(a) Collect, maintain and arrange all information submitted to it relating to:

(1) Records of criminal history; and

(2) The genetic markers of a biological specimen of a person who is convicted of an offense listed in subsection 4 of NRS 176.0913.

(b) When practicable, use a record of the personal identifying information of a subject as the basis for any records maintained regarding him.

(c) Upon request, provide the information that is contained in the Central Repository to the State Disaster Identification Team of the Division of Emergency Management of the Department.

5. The Division may:

(a) Disseminate any information which is contained in the Central Repository to any other agency of criminal justice;

(b) Enter into cooperative agreements with federal and state repositories to facilitate exchanges of information that may be disseminated pursuant to paragraph (a); and

(c) Request of and receive from the Federal Bureau of Investigation information on the background and personal history of any person whose record of fingerprints the Central Repository submits to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and:

(1) Who has applied to any agency of the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof for a license which it has the power to grant or deny;

(2) With whom any agency of the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof intends to enter into a relationship of employment or a contract for personal services;

(3) *Who has applied to any agency of the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof to attend an academy for training peace officers approved by the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission;*

(4) *For whom such information is required to be obtained pursuant to NRS 449.179; or*

(5) About whom any agency of the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof has a legitimate need to have accurate personal information for the protection of the agency or the persons within its jurisdiction. ~~[or]~~

~~(4) For whom such information is required to be obtained pursuant to NRS 449.179.]~~

→ To request and receive information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning a person pursuant to this subsection, the Central Repository must receive the person's complete set of fingerprints from the agency or political subdivision and submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.

6. The Central Repository shall:

(a) Collect and maintain records, reports and compilations of statistical data submitted by any agency pursuant to subsection 2.

(b) Tabulate and analyze all records, reports and compilations of statistical data received pursuant to this section.

(c) Disseminate to federal agencies engaged in the collection of statistical data relating to crime information which is contained in the Central Repository.

(d) Investigate the criminal history of any person who:

(1) Has applied to the Superintendent of Public Instruction for a license;

(2) Has applied to a county school district or a private school for employment; or

(3) Is employed by a county school district or a private school,

→ and notify the superintendent of each county school district and the Superintendent of Public Instruction, or the administrator of each private school, as appropriate, if the investigation of the Central Repository indicates that the person has been convicted of a violation of NRS 200.508, 201.230, 453.3385, 453.339 or 453.3395, or convicted of a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude.

(e) Upon discovery, notify the superintendent of each county school district or the administrator of each private school, as appropriate, by providing the superintendent or administrator with a list of all persons:

(1) Investigated pursuant to paragraph (d); or

(2) Employed by a county school district or private school whose fingerprints were sent previously to the Central Repository for investigation,

→ who the Central Repository's records indicate have been convicted of a violation of NRS 200.508, 201.230, 453.3385, 453.339 or 453.3395, or convicted of a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude since the Central Repository's initial investigation. The superintendent of each county school district or the administrator of each private school, as applicable, shall determine whether further investigation or action by the district or private school, as applicable, is appropriate.

(f) Investigate the criminal history of each person who submits fingerprints or has his fingerprints submitted pursuant to NRS 449.176 or 449.179.

(g) On or before July 1 of each year, prepare and present to the Governor a printed annual report containing the statistical data relating to crime received during the preceding calendar year. Additional reports may be presented to the Governor throughout the year regarding specific areas of crime if they are recommended by the Advisory Committee and approved by the Director of the Department.

(h) On or before July 1 of each year, prepare and submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau ~~H~~ for submission to the Legislature, or *to* the Legislative Commission when the Legislature is not in regular session, a report containing statistical data about domestic violence in this State.

(i) Identify and review the collection and processing of statistical data relating to criminal justice and the delinquency of children by any agency identified in subsection 2, and make recommendations for any necessary changes in the manner of collecting and processing statistical data by any such agency.

7. The Central Repository may:

(a) At the recommendation of the Advisory Committee and in the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department, disseminate compilations of statistical data and publish statistical reports relating to crime or the delinquency of children.

(b) Charge a reasonable fee for any publication or special report it distributes relating to data collected pursuant to this section. The Central Repository may not collect such a fee from an agency of criminal justice, any other agency dealing with crime or the delinquency of children which is required to submit information pursuant to subsection 2 or the State Disaster Identification Team of the Division of Emergency Management of the Department. All money collected pursuant to this paragraph must be used to pay for the cost of operating the Central Repository.

(c) In the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department, use electronic means to receive and disseminate information contained in the Central Repository that it is authorized to disseminate pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

8. As used in this section:

(a) "Advisory Committee" means the Committee established by the Director of the Department pursuant to NRS 179A.078.

(b) "Personal identifying information" means any information designed, commonly used or capable of being used, alone or in conjunction with any other information, to identify a person, including, without limitation:

(1) The name, driver's license number, social security number, date of birth and photograph or computer-generated image of a person; and

(2) The fingerprints, voiceprint, retina image and iris image of a person.

(c) "Private school" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 394.103.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2005.

