

## HB 742 -- Expungement of Certain Criminal Records

Sponsor: Nasheed

This bill authorizes the sealing of certain criminal records of adults and minors prosecuted as adults. Convictions for municipal ordinance violations or misdemeanors; any misdemeanor violation or class D felony violation of prostitution under Chapter 567, RSMo; possession of marijuana; or possession of a controlled substance under Section 195.202 may be sealed. The sealing of a criminal record is allowed only when the individual was acquitted, had the conviction reversed, or has not been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor for at least three years after completing any misdemeanor probation or has gone four years since conviction without any subsequent convictions. The sealing of records for driving while intoxicated, driving with excessive blood-alcohol content, any conviction requiring registration as a sexual offender under Section 589.400, certain misdemeanor offenses under Chapter 566, and any violation of an order of protection issued under Chapter 455 will not be allowed.

Any individual wanting to seal a criminal record is required to file a petition naming as defendants all entities whom the petitioner has reason to believe may possess the record. The clerk of the circuit where the petition is filed is authorized to charge a fee equivalent to the costs associated with sealing the record.