



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6750

January Session, 2015



**AN ACT CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENT FOR DISCLOSURE OF
ARREST RECORDS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 1-215 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

3 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, [to the
4 contrary,] and except as otherwise provided in this section, any record
5 of the arrest of any person, other than a juvenile, except a record
6 erased pursuant to chapter 961a, shall be a public record from the time
7 of such arrest and shall be disclosed in accordance with the provisions
8 of section 1-212 and subsection (a) of section 1-210, except that
9 disclosure of data or information other than that set forth in
10 subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section shall be subject to [the
11 provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of section 1-210] any
12 applicable exemption for disclosure contained in any provision of the
13 general statutes. Any personal possessions or effects found on a person
14 at the time of such person's arrest shall not be disclosed unless such
15 possessions or effects are relevant to the crime for which such person
16 was arrested.

17 (b) For the purposes of this section, "record of the arrest" means (1)
18 the name and address of the person arrested, the date, time and place

19 of the arrest and the offense for which the person was arrested, and (2)
20 [at least one of the following, designated by the law enforcement
21 agency: The arrest report, incident report, news release or other similar
22 report of the arrest of a person] (A) in a case in which the arrest has
23 been made by warrant, the arrest warrant application, unless the
24 judicial authority has ordered that the supporting affidavits contained
25 in such application be sealed from public inspection or that disclosure
26 is limited, or (B) in a case in which the arrest has been made without a
27 warrant, a report setting forth a summary of the circumstances that led
28 to the arrest of the person and the information that gave rise to
29 probable cause to arrest.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2015	1-215
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