



# Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 86**

February Session, 2022

Senate Bill No. 162

*Senate, March 23, 2022*

The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through SEN. OSTEN of the 19th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT CONCERNING FEES CHARGED BY INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS THAT PROCESS CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 29-11 of the 2022 supplement to  
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

4 (d) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
5 may enter into one or more agreements with independent contractors  
6 requiring such contractors to receive and transmit by electronic means  
7 fingerprints and demographic information to the State Police Bureau of  
8 Identification for the processing of criminal history records checks. The  
9 commissioner shall require such contractors to [:(1) Collect and remit  
10 the fee charged for fingerprinting, as provided in subsection (c) of this  
11 section, to the State Police Bureau of Identification, and (2)] comply with  
12 terms and conditions as the commissioner shall prescribe to protect and  
13 ensure the security, privacy, confidentiality and value of the

14 fingerprints and demographic information received and transmitted by  
15 such contractors. The commissioner may authorize such contractors to  
16 charge a convenience fee, which shall not exceed [~~fifteen~~] thirty dollars,  
17 for fingerprinting.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2022	29-11(d)

**PS**      *Joint Favorable*

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### **OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:** None

**Municipal Impact:** None

### **Explanation**

The bill eliminates the requirement that an independent fingerprinting contractor collect and remit the fingerprinting fee (\$15) to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) resulting in no fiscal impact to the state because DESPP has never contracted with an independent contractor for this service.

### **The Out Years**

**State Impact:** None

**Municipal Impact:** None

**OLR Bill Analysis****SB 162*****AN ACT CONCERNING FEES CHARGED BY INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS THAT PROCESS CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS.*****SUMMARY**

Existing law allows the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) commissioner to enter into agreements with independent contractors to electronically take and transmit fingerprints and demographic information to the State Police Bureau of Identification (SPBI) for processing criminal history records checks. This bill (1) eliminates the requirement that the commissioner require these contractors to collect and remit the statutory fingerprinting fee (\$15) to SPBI and (2) increases, from \$15 to \$30, the maximum convenience fee the commissioner may authorize these contractors to charge for fingerprinting.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2022

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 23    Nay 0    (03/08/2022)