

**Public Safety and Security Committee**  
**JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT**

**Bill No.:** SB-973

AN ACT AUTHORIZING ACCESS TO JUVENILE DELINQUENCY RECORDS  
TO EVALUATE A PROPOSED TRANSFER OF A FIREARM TO A PERSON

**Title:** UNDER AGE TWENTY-ONE.

**Vote Date:** 3/16/2023

**Vote Action:** JOINT FAVORABLE

**PH Date:** 2/23/2023

**File No.:** 380

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**SPONSORS OF BILL:**

Public Safety and Security Committee

Co-Sponsors

Sen. Herron Gaston, 23rd Dist.

Rep. Fred Gee, 126th Dist.

**REASONS FOR BILL:**

Under current statutes access to information regarding someone's juvenile records is restricted. Recent changes in federal law regarding firearm background checks requires this statute be changed to allow for access of juvenile records in regard to transferring firearms to a person under 21 years of age.

**RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:**

**James Rovella, Commissioner-Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection**

This bill is a proposal put forth by DESPP to comply with federal law regarding background checks and transferring firearms to someone under the age of twenty-one. It would allow Judicial Branch to release the juvenile records and convictions to the NICS for the purpose of determining if there is a reason to disqualify this person from the transfer.

**Judicial Branch, State of Connecticut**

This bill will comply with current federal law. Judicial Branch would be allowed to release juvenile records to DESPP when evaluating transferring a firearm to someone under the age of twenty-one. Judicial has no concerns regarding this proposal and appreciates that DEPSS' willingness to seek this legislative change.

**NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:**

None Expressed

**NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:**

**Officer Gary Corigliano**

Mr. Corigliano does not support this bill or any other bill that violate the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment.

**Reported by: Bonnie Gray, Assistant Clerk**

**Date: 03/22/2023**