

AN ACT concerning State government.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section 2105-20 as follows:

(20 ILCS 2105/2105-20 new)

Sec. 2105-20. Criminal history records checks. Licensees or applicants applying for expedited licensure through an interstate compact enacted into law by the General Assembly, including, but not limited to, the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Act, who have designated Illinois as the principal state of licensure for the purposes of the compact shall have his or her fingerprints submitted to the Department of State Police in an electronic format that complies with the form and manner for requesting and furnishing criminal history record information as prescribed by the Department of State Police. These fingerprints shall be checked against the Department of State Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history record databases now and hereafter filed. The Department of State Police shall charge applicants or licensees a fee for conducting the criminal history records check, which shall be deposited into the State Police Services Fund and

shall not exceed the actual cost of the records check. The Department of State Police shall furnish, pursuant to positive identification, records of Illinois convictions to the Department. The Department may require applicants or licensees to pay a separate fingerprinting fee, either to the Department or to a vendor designated or approved by the Department. The Department, in its discretion, may allow an applicant or licensee who does not have reasonable access to a designated vendor to provide his or her fingerprints in an alternative manner. The Department may adopt any rules necessary to implement this Section. Communication between the Department and an interstate compact governing body, including, but not limited to, the Interstate Commission as defined in Section 180 of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Act, may not include information received from the Federal Bureau of Investigation relating to a State and federal criminal history records check.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.