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Abstract: Provides for automated expungement of certain qualifying criminal records.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the expungement of records of arrest and misdemeanor and felony convictions in certain circumstances.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for automated expungement of qualifying records. Requires the La. Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information (bureau) to identify within its criminal repository database all records with final dispositions for individuals eligible for an expungement pursuant to the provisions of <u>present law</u> (C.Cr.P. Arts. 976, 977, and 978).

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that on Aug. 1, 2024, and every 30 days thereafter, the bureau shall send the records with final dispositions for individuals eligible for an expungement pursuant to <u>present law</u> to the La. Supreme Court Case Management Information System.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the La. Supreme Court Case Management Information System, within 30 days of receipt of records from the bureau, to verify, process, and send notice by U.S. mail or electronically of all records expunged by automation to the clerks of the district courts and the bureau. The clerks and the bureau shall identify such records as expunged by automation.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the clerks of the district courts to send notice by U.S. mail or electronically of all records expunged by automation to the district attorney of the parish of the person's conviction, the sheriff of the parish of the person's conviction, and the arresting agency. The district attorney, the sheriff, and the arresting agency shall identify such records as expunged by automation.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes state police and the supreme court to adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of <u>proposed law</u> for criminal records in district courts which date back to Jan. 1, 2000.

(Adds C.Cr.P. Art. 985.2)