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STATE OF COLORADO

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HOUSE BILL 24-1432

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HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Clifford and Soper,

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(None),

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House Committees  
Judiciary

Senate Committees

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT FOR A DEFENDANT TO  
102 PAY THE COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOR COSTS  
103 RELATED TO SEALING CRIMINAL JUSTICE RECORDS IN THE  
104 BUREAU'S CUSTODY.

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Bill Summary

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill repeals the requirement for a defendant to pay to the Colorado bureau of investigation (bureau) any costs related to sealing the defendant's criminal justice records in the bureau's custody. The bill

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.*  
*Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.*

requires the bureau to, on or before June 30, 2026, waive the costs for a person whose records are in the bureau's custody but are not yet sealed.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-72-706, **amend**  
3 (1)(h) introductory portion; and **add** (4) as follows:

4 **24-72-706. Sealing of criminal conviction and criminal justice**  
5 **records - processing fee - definition - repeal.** (1) **Sealing of conviction**  
6 **records.** (h) A defendant who files a motion to seal criminal justice  
7 records pursuant to this section shall pay a processing fee of sixty-five  
8 dollars to cover the actual costs related to the sealing of the criminal  
9 justice records. ~~The defendant shall pay to the Colorado bureau of~~  
10 ~~investigation any costs related to the sealing of the defendant's criminal~~  
11 ~~justice records in the custody of the bureau.~~ The court shall waive the  
12 processing fee upon a determination that:

13 (4) (a) IF A COURT ORDERED A PERSON'S CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
14 RECORDS SEALED PURSUANT TO THIS PART 7 AND THE COLORADO BUREAU  
15 OF INVESTIGATION HAS NOT SEALED THE PERSON'S CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
16 RECORDS IN ITS CUSTODY ON OR BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS  
17 SUBSECTION (4), THE BUREAU SHALL WAIVE THE RECORD SEALING COSTS  
18 ASSESSED BY THE BUREAU. IF THE RECORDS ARE NOT SEALED SOLELY  
19 BECAUSE THE PERSON HAS FAILED TO PAY THE RECORD SEALING COSTS  
20 ASSESSED BY THE BUREAU, AFTER WAIVING THE COSTS, THE BUREAU  
21 SHALL SEAL THE PERSON'S RECORDS. ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2026, THE  
22 BUREAU SHALL WAIVE THE RECORD SEALING COSTS ASSESSED BY THE  
23 BUREAU AND, IF APPLICABLE, SEAL A PERSON'S RECORDS AS REQUIRED BY  
24 THIS SUBSECTION (4).

25 (b) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (4), "RECORD SEALING COSTS

1 ASSESSED BY THE BUREAU" MEANS THE COSTS ASSESSED TO A PERSON BY  
2 THE COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION RELATED TO SEALING THE  
3 PERSON'S CRIMINAL JUSTICE RECORDS THAT ARE IN THE BUREAU'S  
4 CUSTODY, AS WAS REQUIRED IN SUBSECTION (1)(h) OF THIS SECTION AS IT  
5 EXISTED PRIOR TO ITS AMENDMENT IN 2024 BY THIS HOUSE BILL 24-\_\_\_\_\_.

6 (c) THIS SUBSECTION (4) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2027.

7 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
8 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
9 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
10 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
11 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
12 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
13 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
14 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
15 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.