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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to juvenile records.

Present law (Ch.C. Art. 412) relative to confidentiality of juvenile records, provides that records and reports concerning all matters or proceedings before the juvenile court, except traffic violations, are confidential and shall not be disclosed except as expressly authorized by present law.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that nothing in present law shall be construed to limit the creation of an interoperable set of criminal justice information systems at the state and local levels to ensure that all necessary, accurate, and complete information is obtained for the proper identification, investigation, processing, prosecution, adjudication, and sentencing of an offender.

Present law (R.S. 15:576) provides for definitions relative to the La. Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information.

Proposed law retains present law generally.

Present law (R.S. 15:576(2)) defines the terms "criminal history record" or "criminal history record information" and further specifies that these terms do not include intelligence or investigatory purposes, nor any identification information which does not indicate involvement of the individual in the criminal justice system, or records of juvenile criminal conduct.

Proposed law amends present law to remove the reference to records of juvenile criminal conduct as information that is not included within the terms "criminal history record" or "criminal history record information".

(Amends R.S. 15:576(2); Adds Ch.C. Art. 412(P))