## DIGEST

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Honore HB No. 184

**Abstract:** Authorizes the Volunteer La. Commission and the recipient of any AmeriCorps funds administered by the Volunteer La. Commission to obtain criminal history record and identification files for any applicant seeking to serve in a program receiving assistance under the national service laws.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes certain entities to request and obtain, and requires the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information to provide, criminal history record and identification files for persons seeking employment, licensing, or seeking to volunteer with those entities.

<u>Proposed law retains present law</u> and authorizes the Volunteer La. Commission and the recipient of any federal AmeriCorps funds administered by the Volunteer La. Commission to obtain the criminal history record and identification files maintained by the bureau for any applicant seeking to serve in a program that receives assistance under the national service laws.

<u>Proposed law</u> also authorizes the Volunteer La. Commission to obtain national criminal history information maintained by the FBI and requires the bureau to make a simultaneous request for such information from the FBI when requested to do so by the Volunteer La. Commission.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides for the procedure by which such information is requested and obtained by the entity and requires the requesting entity to maintain the confidentiality of the information in accordance with federal and state laws.

(Adds R.S. 15:587(H))