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HOUSE BILL NO. 416

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

CRIMINAL/RECORDS: Provides relative to expungement of criminal records

1 AN ACT 2 To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 985.3, relative to expungement of criminal 3 records; to provide for a court-ordered immediate expungement in certain cases; and 4 to provide for related matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Article 985.3 is hereby enacted to read as 7 follows: 8 Art. 985.3. Immediate expungement; judicial discretion 9 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter to the contrary, the court 10 may order the immediate expungement of a person who is otherwise eligible for an 11 expungement upon the successful completion of a court-ordered probation or 12 alternative sentencing program.

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Abstract: Provides for an immediate expungement of certain criminal records under certain circumstances.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the expungement of criminal records for certain offenders and provides conditions for obtaining an expungement.

Proposed law retains those provisions of present law.

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<u>Proposed law</u> adds that the court may order the immediate expungement of criminal records for a person who is otherwise eligible for an expungement upon the successful completion of a court-ordered probation or alternative sentencing program.

(Adds C.Cr.P. Art. 985.3)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:

1. Clarify that the expungement is "immediate" <u>rather than</u> "automatic".