## **HOUSE BILL 2107**

## By Dixie

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to expunction.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-32-101, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

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- (1) As used in this subsection ( ), an "eligible petitioner" means a person who was convicted of a felony or misdemeanor offense that is not:
  - (A) A sexual offense or violent sexual offense, as defined in § 40-39-202:
  - (B) Treason, or an effort to sabotage or overthrow the government of the United States;
    - (C) First degree murder, as defined in § 39-13-202;
  - (D) Child abuse or child neglect or endangerment, as defined in § 39-15-401:
  - (E) Aggravated child abuse or aggravated child neglect or endangerment, as defined in § 39-15-402;
  - (F) A violation of § 39-17-417 involving the use of a deadly weapon; or
  - (G) Driving under the influence of an intoxicant, as defined in § 55-10-401.

- (2) Notwithstanding subsections (g) and (k), effective July 1, 2024, an eligible petitioner may file a petition for expunction of that person's public records involving a criminal offense, if at the time of the filing of the petition for expunction:
  - (A) The person is sixty-five (65) years of age or more;
  - (B) At least ten (10) years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence imposed for the offense the person is seeking to have expunged; and
  - (C) The person has not had any additional arrests, charges, or criminal convictions following completion of the sentence imposed for the offense the person is seeking to have expunged.
- (3) The procedures in subdivisions (g)(3)-(6), (8), (12), and (13) apply to a petition filed under this subsection ( ).
- (4) If the court denies the petition, the petitioner may not file another petition pursuant to this subsection ( ) until at least two (2) years from the date of the denial.
- (5) A person may be granted an expunction of one (1) offense under this subsection ( ) only one (1) time.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it.

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