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**Testimony to the House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee
Neutral on HB2113
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Chairman Owens and Committee Members:

Thank you for allowing me to provide the committee with information today regarding the issue of when the clock should start on the time required for application to expunge a criminal record. I spoke today on behalf of our three associations because the topic in question was one we had concerns about when we discussed the bill.

As I explained when I spoke, I serve on the Judicial Council Criminal Law Committee. I do so not in the capacity of our associations, but by invitation of the Council several years ago to represent the interests of local law enforcement.

As I explained in my testimony, when the Criminal Law Committee met to consider the expungement bills we were requested to review, we had a discussion about when the clock should start on the waiting period to be eligible to apply for expungement. The Judicial Council Criminal Law Committee chose not to change the current law which starts the clock upon completion of sentence. Based on concerns voiced by some of the members about that amendment proposed in the bill, I felt it was important to convey to you the amendment was not in the recommendation of the Judicial Council Criminal Law Committee. I also pointed out the final report sent back to the legislative committee requesting the review contained specific bill recommendations that did not include that change.

When I testified, I told you I would send the committee a copy of the Judicial Council Reports on both the juvenile and adult expungement issue. At the time I had not seen the testimony from Laura Nordgren of the Judicial Council. I later noticed she had already included with her testimony the reports. Since you already have them, I will not duplicate presentation of those documents.

Thank you again for allowing me to speak.

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