

IN THE 13th JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN AND FOR THE STATE OF COLORADO

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AUTHORIZING CLERKS OF COURT TO MODIFY A JUVENILE'S COURT RECORD TO REFLECT ACCURATE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION STATUS PURSUANT TO HOUSE BILL 21-1064

2021-12

On June 24, 2021, Governor Polis signed into law House Bill 21-1064 (HB21-1064), Concerning the Implementation of Recommendations from the Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning the Treatment of Persons with Mental Health Disorders in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems Regarding Juveniles Who Have Committed Sex Offenses. As relevant to this Administrative Order, HB21-1064 amended and added certain provisions to Colorado Revised Statutes section 16-22-101, et seq., the Colorado Sex Offender Registration Act. Pursuant to Section 14 of HB21-1064, the bill took effect September 1, 2021.

Section 2 of HB21-1064 amended Colorado Revised Statutes section 16-22-103(4) by adding, in relevant part, "[i]f a person is required to register pursuant to this article 22 due to an adjudication or disposition as a juvenile, the duty to register automatically terminates either when the person reaches twenty-five years of age or seven years from the date the juvenile was required to register, whichever occurs later." Pursuant to Sections 3 and 8 of HB21-1064, eligibility for automatic termination is determined by local law enforcement and the Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI), but a qualified juvenile may file a petition with the court for removal if CBI fails to remove the juvenile from the registry. See Colo. Rev. Stat. § 16-22-108, -113.

In the event CBI removes a juvenile from the registry pursuant to HB21-1064's automatic termination provision, CBI notifies the Judicial Department of the removal. Upon receipt of a notification, it is necessary for the Judicial Department to modify the affected juvenile's court record to reflect that sex offense registration is no longer required. Failure to do so could result in an automatic, but erroneous, communication between the Judicial Department's case management system and CBI indicating that the juvenile is still required to register as a sex offender.

Pursuant to the authority provided to Chief Judges under Chief Justice Directive 95-01, and to allow the efficient case management for cases involving juveniles impacted by HB21-1064, this Administrative Order authorizes the clerks of court or their designees to modify a juvenile's court record in the Judicial Department's case management system to reflect sex offense registration is no longer required for each juvenile CBI removes from the sex offender registry pursuant to HB21-1064's automatic termination provisions.

Done this 25th day of October, 2021.

CARL S. McGUIRE III

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Chief Judge

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