

692.5 Right of notice, access and challenge.

Any person or the person's attorney shall have the right to examine and obtain a copy of criminal history data filed with the department that refers to the person. The person or person's attorney shall present or mail to the department written authorization and the person's fingerprint identification. The department shall not copy the fingerprint identification and shall return or destroy the identification after the copy of the criminal history data is made. The department may prescribe reasonable hours and places of examination.

Any person who files with the division a written statement to the effect that a statement contained in the criminal history data that refers to the person is nonfactual, or information not authorized by law to be kept, and requests a correction or elimination of that information that refers to that person shall be notified within twenty days by the division, in writing, of the division's decision or order regarding the correction or elimination. Judicial review of the actions of the division may be sought in accordance with the terms of the Iowa administrative procedure Act, chapter 17A. Immediately upon the filing of the petition for judicial review the court shall order the division to file with the court a certified copy of the criminal history data and in no other situation shall the division furnish an individual or the individual's attorney with a certified copy, except as provided by this chapter.

Upon the request of the petitioner, the record and evidence in a judicial review proceeding shall be closed to all but the court and its officers, and access thereto shall be refused unless otherwise ordered by the court. The clerk shall maintain a separate docket for such actions. A person, other than the petitioner, shall not permit a copy of any of the testimony or pleadings or the substance thereof to be made available to any person other than a party to the action or the party's attorney. Violation of this section shall be a public offense, punishable under section 692.7. The provisions of this section shall be the sole right of action against the department, its subdivisions, or employees regarding improper storage or release of criminal history data.

Whenever the division corrects or eliminates data as requested or as ordered by the court, the division shall advise all agencies or individuals who have received the incorrect information to correct their files. Upon application to the district court and service of notice on the commissioner of public safety, any individual may request and obtain a list of all persons and agencies who received criminal history data referring to the individual, unless good cause be shown why the individual should not receive said list.

[C75, 77, § 749B.5; C79, 81, § 692.5]

93 Acts, ch 115, §5; 96 Acts, ch 1150, § 5; 2003 Acts, ch 44, §114; 2006 Acts, ch 1034, §2