

5733-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections  
(originally sponsored by Senators Honeyford, Costa, Long, Sheahan,  
Hargrove and Hochstatter)

Brief Description: Revising law governing the sealing of juvenile records.

**SB 5733-S - DIGEST**

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/02/00)

Declares that, if a person seeking the sealing of records for class B offenses, other than sex offenses, files with the court a motion to seal records after having spent only five years in the community without committing any offense or crime subsequently resulting in conviction, the court has discretion to grant the motion to seal records if the court finds that, in addition to meeting the criteria stated in this act: (1) The person has spent five consecutive years in the community without committing any offense or crime that subsequently resulted in conviction;

(2) credible evidence displays that a present career path for the person is impeded by the existing record;

(3) the person is at least twenty-one years old; and

(4) the person has lived an exemplary life since committing the last offense or crime.

Directs the Washington state patrol to develop an automated system to retrieve information after a sealing order has been nullified.