

**AN ACT PROMOTING COMMUNITY PROSPERITY BY  
FURTHER REFORMING CRIMINAL OFFENDER  
RECORD INFORMATION (HB3084)**

**Lead Sponsor: Rep. Elizabeth Malia**

Enactment of CORI reform in 2010 made progress toward ensuring that people who have paid the price of involvement with the criminal justice system have a fair opportunity to re-enter society unburdened by their criminal records. However, more needs to be done to complete the task of CORI reform, for the benefit of former prisoners, their families, and our communities. This bill would:

1. Change the definition of CORI to exclude cases dismissed before arraignment and certain juvenile youthful offender adjudications that now appear on CORI reports.
2. Reduce long 5 and 10 year waiting periods for sealing records to 3 and 7 years which is consistent with recidivism studies and will get people back to work and in housing.
3. Permit a person whose CORI record has been sealed to say “I have no record” when applying for housing and occupational licenses after records are sealed—not just when applying for jobs as is currently the case.
4. Change the present law which says that convictions for resisting arrest can never be sealed and gives countless people lifetime criminal records.
5. Require the Probation Department to establish a system for easy correction of CORI database errors.
6. Require prisons and Houses of Correction to provide information about the Department of Revenue Child Support Enforcement’s services upon admission to the facility to help prisoners avoid the unfair accumulation of massive child support debt which can impede their successful re-entry.