

2024 Kansas Statutes

75-712j. Criminal history record check; retention of fingerprints; limitations on disclosure of records; disclosure in violation of act, criminal penalty; enrollment in rap back program. (a) (1)

An applicant, employee or volunteer who is subject to a criminal history record check shall provide to the requesting authorized entity written consent to obtain the applicant's, employee's or volunteer's fingerprints to conduct a criminal history record check and participate in the rap back program for the purpose of determining suitability or fitness for a permit, license, employment or volunteer service.

(2) An authorized entity shall notify each applicant, employee or volunteer subject to a criminal history record check:

(A) That fingerprints shall be retained by the Kansas bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation for all current and future purposes and uses authorized for fingerprint submission; and

(B) when fingerprints will be enrolled in the rap back program.

(b) Fingerprints and records relating to fingerprints obtained by the Kansas bureau of investigation for a fingerprint-based criminal history record check shall be searched against:

(1) Known criminal fingerprints to determine if a criminal history record exists; and

(2) latent fingerprints entered into the unsolved latent fingerprint file.

(c) (1) A criminal history record check shall only be completed for the purpose for which such check was requested. Any additional record checks shall require the submission of a new set of fingerprints.

(2) An authorized entity enrolled in rap back shall immediately notify the Kansas bureau of investigation when such entity is no longer entitled to receive criminal history record information relating to a particular person enrolled in rap back. The Kansas bureau of investigation shall cancel the enrollment, and updates to criminal history record information shall no longer be provided to such entity.

(d) (1) Fingerprints and records relating to fingerprints acquired by the Kansas bureau of investigation shall be available only to authorized entities entitled to obtain the information. No employee of the Kansas bureau of investigation shall disclose any records of fingerprints or records relating to the fingerprints acquired in the performance of any of the employee's duties under this section to any person not authorized to receive the information pursuant to state or federal law. No person acquiring the records of fingerprints, records relating to fingerprints or any information concerning any individual shall disclose such information to any person who is not authorized to receive such information.

(2) Any intentional disclosure of such information in violation of this section is a class A nonperson misdemeanor.

(e) As used in this section:

(1) "Authorized entity" means an agency or entity with authorization under state or federal law to conduct a fingerprint-based criminal history record check;

(2) "criminal history record check" means the submission of fingerprints and demographic information by an authorized entity to the Kansas bureau of investigation for the purpose of receiving criminal history record results; and

(3) "rap back" means the state or federal system that enables an authorized entity to receive ongoing notifications of criminal history record updates for individuals whose fingerprints are enrolled.

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Section was also enacted by L. 2022, ch. 78, § 1, but that version was repealed by L. 2022, ch 92, § 9.