

RON DESANTIS GOVERNOR

June 27, 2020

Secretary Laurel Lee Florida Department of State R.A. Gray Building 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399



Dear Secretary Lee:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby veto and transmit my objections to SB 1292, enacted during the 122nd Session of the Legislature of Florida, during the Regular Session of 2020 and entitled:

An act relating to Public Records/Nonjudicial Arrest Record of a Minor...

The Legislature passed Senate Bill 1292 – Public Records, which was linked to SB 700 – Juvenile Justice, which permits a minor to have a non-judicial arrest record expunged following the successful completion of a diversion program, for any offense. SB 1292 creates a public records exemption for the minor's sealed or expunged arrest records, according to SB 700. Since SB 700 or similar legislation relating to Juvenile Justice did not pass the Legislature, SB 1292 is a nullity and cannot take effect.

For the reasons stated above, in order to keep the Laws of Florida clean without fruitless provisions, I withhold my approval of SB 1292 and do hereby veto the same.



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