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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6346**  
**BILL NUMBER: SB 236**

**NOTE PREPARED: Jan 3, 2023**  
**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Expungement and Firearms.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Crider  
**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill specifies, for purposes of the expungement statute, that a person whose conviction for a misdemeanor involving the use of a firearm, or for a felony, is expunged is entitled to restoration of the person's right to possess a firearm only if the court finds, following a hearing, that restoration of the person's right to possess a firearm is unlikely to present a danger to the public.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2024.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** The courts should be able to accommodate additional hearings, if necessary, with existing resources. The following summarizes the number of expungement cases that were disposed in CY 2022 by courts with criminal jurisdiction in Indiana:

- Marion County disposed of an average 20 expungements per week;
- 14 counties averaged between two and three per week,
- 22 counties averaged one per week
- and the remaining 55 averaged less than one per week.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Courts with criminal jurisdiction

**Information Sources:** Indiana Supreme Court  
<https://www.in.gov/courts/iocs/statistics/trial-probation/2022/>

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