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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Civil Justice

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to landlord and tenant; requiring expungement of court eviction
1.3 records after one year; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 504B.241,
1.4 subdivision 4.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 504B.241, subdivision 4, is amended to
1.7 read:

1.8 Subd. 4. **Court file information.** (a) Court records of an eviction action must be
1.9 expunged one year after the action is commenced.

1.10 (b) If a residential tenant screening service includes information from a court file on
1.11 an individual in a residential tenant report, the report must provide the full name and date
1.12 of birth of the individual in any case where the court file includes the individual's full name
1.13 and date of birth, and the outcome of the court proceeding must be accurately recorded
1.14 in the residential tenant report including the specific basis of the court's decision, when
1.15 available. ~~If a tenant screening service knows that a court file has been expunged, the~~ A
1.16 tenant screening service shall delete any reference to ~~that~~ a court eviction file in any data
1.17 maintained or disseminated by the screening service one year after the eviction action was
1.18 commenced. Whenever the court supplies information from a court file on an individual,
1.19 in whatever form, the court shall include the full name and date of birth of the individual,
1.20 if that is indicated on the court file or summary, and information on the outcome of the
1.21 court proceeding, including the specific basis of the court's decision, coded as provided in
1.22 subdivision 5 for the type of action, when it becomes available. The residential tenant
1.23 screening service is not liable under section 504B.245 if the residential tenant screening
1.24 service reports complete and accurate information as provided by the court.