

## **Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services**

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To: Criminal History Record Recipient

Ref: Federal Criminal History Record Cut-off Notification

The Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) regularly audits the records of agencies that receive federal and/or state criminal history record information for employment and/or licensing purposes. Upon review of these records and with input from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it has been determined that CJIS disseminated federal criminal history record information in a manner that conflicts with current federal laws and regulations.

Pursuant to Public Law 92-544, federal criminal history record information is prohibited from being disseminated to a non-governmental agency. As such, if your agency does not have legislative authority pursuant to Public Law 92-544, your agency will only receive State of Maryland criminal history record information.

## This action is anticipated to occur fall 2021. Another letter will be sent to inform you of the actual date, once it is known.

If you are a child care agency that is currently licensed by the Maryland State Department of Education, Office of Child Care (OCC), the federal criminal history record information required for your agency's employees will be received and vetted by the OCC. Questions related to the vetting of your agency's employees by the OCC should be directed to your OCC licensing specialist.

If you have questions relevant to your agency's legal authority to receive federal criminal history record information, please contact the CJIS Background Check Services Unit at 410-764-4501.

Sincerely,

Stanley Lofton, Chief Information Officer Cc: Donna Rowlette, CJIS