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## **House Bill 164**

### **Sealing of previously unsealable offenses**

Effective September 14, 2016

On June 14, 2016, Governor Kasich signed House Bill 164 (Reps. Pelanda and Rogers) into law. It becomes effective on September 14, 2016.

Section 2953.36 of the Revised Code sets forth a list of offenses that are not eligible for sealing. H.B. 164, however, provides that an unsealable offense under R.C. 2953.36 may be sealed if, after the conviction, the penalty for or classification of the offense was changed such that the offense would now be sealable.

The bill also specifies that reports produced by the Inspector General are not “official records” eligible for sealing.