

§ 143B-1209.46. Criminal record checks of applicants and recipients of programs of public assistance.

(a) Upon receipt of a request from a county department of social services pursuant to G.S. 108A-26.1, the State Bureau of Investigation shall, to the extent allowed by federal law, provide to the county department of social services the criminal history from the State or National Repositories of Criminal Histories of an applicant for, or recipient of, program assistance under Part 2 or Part 5 of Article 2 of Chapter 108A of the General Statutes.

(b) The county department of social services shall provide to the Bureau, along with the request, any information required by the Bureau and a form signed by the individual to be checked consenting to the check of the criminal record and to the use of any necessary identifying information required by the State or National Repositories. The county department of social services shall keep all information pursuant to this section confidential and privileged, except as provided in G.S. 108A-26.1.

(c) The Bureau may charge a reasonable fee only for conducting the checks of the criminal history records authorized by this section. (2013-417, s. 3; 2014-100, s. 17.1(m), (o); recodified from N.C. Gen. Stat. 143B-965 by 2023-134, s. 19F.4(i), (j).)