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## Synopsis of Judiciary Committee Amendments

(This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the Senate Floor.)

### Sub. H.B. 234 of the 135<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

#### Senate Judiciary

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#### Sealing and expungement

- Allows for multiple third-degree felonies to be treated as a single conviction for purposes of sealing and expungement under certain circumstances.
- Eliminates eligibility for sealing or expungement of a conviction for theft in office.
- Allows an offender to seal, but not expunge, a conviction record for third-degree misdemeanor domestic violence or a conviction record for violating a protection order.

#### Suspension of local officials

- Renames the defined term “prosecuting attorney” to “prosecuting officer” and expands the term to include the Attorney General and special prosecutors.
- Permits federal prosecutors to serve as prosecuting officers at the federal prosecutor’s own volition.
- Establishes what constitutes a period of time under the provision.
- Changes the recipient of certain documents and notices from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to the Clerk of the Supreme Court.