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HOUSE BILL

**516**

AN ACT                    relative to the time period for refiling a petition for annulment of a criminal record.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Myler, Merr. 10; Rep. Bartlett, Merr. 19; Rep. J. MacKay, Merr. 14; Rep. Luneau, Merr. 10; Rep. Mangipudi, Hills. 35; Rep. Rosenwald, Hills. 30; Rep. Doherty, Merr. 20; Rep. Snow, Hills. 42; Sen. Feltes, Dist 15

COMMITTEE:          Criminal Justice and Public Safety

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ANALYSIS

This bill removes the 3-year waiting period after a denial for the filing of a further petition for annulment and requires the court to include written findings stating the basis for the denial and specifying a time period after which the petitioner may file a further petition for annulment.

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Explanation:          Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through]~~  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Seventeen*

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*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1            1 Annulment of Criminal Records. Amend RSA 651:5, IV to read as follows:

2            IV. If a petition for annulment is denied, [~~no further petition shall be brought more~~  
3 ~~frequently than every 3 years thereafter~~] ***the court shall include written findings stating the***  
4 ***basis for the denial, and specifying a time period after which the petitioner may file a***  
5 ***further petition for annulment.***

6            2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.