722.115h.amended Application for or to renew license to operate foster family home or foster family group home; criminal history check required; procedures.

Sec. 5h. (1) Except as provided in subsection (6), when a person applies for or to renew a license to operate a foster family home or foster family group home under this act, the department shall request the department of state police to perform a criminal history check on that person.

(2) Each person applying for a license to operate a foster family home or foster family group home shall give written consent at the time of application for the department of state police to conduct a criminal history check required under this section. The department shall require the person to submit his or her fingerprints to the department of state police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the criminal history check described in subsection (1).

(3) The department shall request a criminal history check required under this section on a form and in the manner prescribed by the department of state police.

(4) Within a reasonable time after receiving a complete request by the department for a criminal history check on a person under this section, the department of state police shall conduct the criminal history check and provide a report of the results to the department. The report shall contain any criminal history record information on the person maintained by the department of state police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

(5) The department of state police may charge the department a fee for a criminal history check required under this section that does not exceed the actual and reasonable cost of conducting the check.

(6) If a person applying to renew a license to operate a foster family home or foster family group home under this act has previously undergone a criminal history check required under subsection (1) and has continuously maintained a license to operate a foster family home or foster family group home under this act after the criminal history check has been performed, that person is not required to submit to another criminal history check upon renewal of the license obtained to operate a foster family home or foster family group home under this act.