

5121-S

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Brief Description: Protecting whistleblowers.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Directs the state auditor to investigate complaints by whistleblowers.

Authorizes a whistleblower to file a complaint with the human rights commission.

Provides for a fine of up to three thousand dollars for every person who takes retaliatory action against a whistleblower and also provides for suspension without pay for up to thirty days.

Makes an appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars to carry out the purposes of the act.