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1 AN ACT Relating to public employment; and amending RCW 9.96A.020.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.96A.020 and 1973 c 135 s 2 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, a
6 person shall not be disqualified from employment by the state of
7 Washington or any of its agencies or political subdivisions, nor shall
8 a person be disqualified to practice, pursue or engage in any
9 occupation, trade, vocation, or business for which a license, permit,
10 certificate or registration is required to be issued by the state of
11 Washington or any of its agencies or political subdivisions solely
12 because of a prior conviction of a felony(~~(PROVIDED,)~~). However,
13 this section shall not preclude the fact of any prior conviction of a
14 crime from being considered.

15 (~~However,~~) (2) A person may be denied employment by the state of
16 Washington or any of its agencies or political subdivisions, or a
17 person may be denied a license, permit, certificate or registration to
18 pursue, practice or engage in an occupation, trade, vocation, or
19 business by reason of the prior conviction of a felony if the felony

1 for which he or she was convicted directly relates to the position of
2 employment sought or to the specific occupation, trade, vocation, or
3 business for which the license, permit, certificate or registration is
4 sought, and the time elapsed since the guilty plea or conviction is
5 less than ten years.

6 (3) A person may be disqualified from employment as a teacher by
7 the state of Washington or its agencies or political subdivisions, or
8 may be disqualified for a certificate to teach, solely because of a
9 prior guilty plea or the conviction of a felony involving sexual
10 exploitation of a child under chapter 9.68A RCW, sexual offenses under
11 chapter 9A.44 RCW where a minor is the victim, promoting prostitution
12 of a minor under chapter 9A.88 RCW, or a violation of similar laws of
13 another jurisdiction, even if the time elapsed since the guilty plea or
14 conviction is ten years or more.

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