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Sponsor(s): Senators Kohl, Long, Patterson and Rasmussen; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Brief Title: Revising provisions for background reviews of persons with access to children and vulnerable adults.

**SB 6052 - DIGEST**

Provides that a person is subject to disqualification from being hired, engaged, or authorized by the department of social and health services and its contractors or licensees hiring employees and from licensure, registration, or certification by the department of social and health services, if the person has a conviction record of a crime listed in this act even if the time elapsed since the guilty plea or conviction is ten years or more.

Requires that by July 1, 1998, the department of social and health services shall require that all individuals in positions, as determined by an appointing authority, who have unsupervised access to children or vulnerable adults or who have fiscally responsible positions and were hired after July 1, 1995, or resided in the state less than three years, undergo a record check through the Washington state patrol criminal identification system, under RCW 43.43.830 through 43.43.838, and through the federal bureau of investigation.

Provides that an individual shall be permanently disqualified from being hired, engaged, or authorized into a position that may provide unsupervised access to a child or vulnerable adult if the record check indicates a conviction of one or more of the designated crimes.

Repeals RCW 72.23.035.