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Sponsor(s): Senators Kline, McCaslin, Roach, Constantine, Kohl-Welles and Winsley

Brief Description: Creating the Washington state civil rights act of 2001.

SB 5154 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Declares that every governmental entity that, under color of a statute, ordinance, regulation, custom, or usage, subjects or causes to be subjected, a citizen, inhabitant, or domiciliary of the state of Washington to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured by the Constitution of the state of Washington, is liable to the person injured in an action at law, suit in equity, or other proper proceeding for the redress.

Declares an intent that persons who are injured by a violation of the state Constitution are eligible for redress, that future violations of the state Constitution be deterred thereby, and that this statute be construed liberally for the accomplishment of its declared purpose in this act.