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By Committee on Children & Family Services & Corrections

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 19.220.010 and 2002 c 115 s 2 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (1) Each international matchmaking organization doing business in  
6 Washington state shall disseminate to a recruit, upon request, state  
7 background check information and ~~((marital))~~ personal history  
8 information relating to any Washington state resident about whom any  
9 information is provided to the recruit, in the recruit's native  
10 language. The organization shall notify all recruits that background  
11 check and ~~((marital))~~ personal history information is available upon  
12 request. The notice that background check and ~~((marital))~~ personal  
13 history information is available upon request shall be in the recruit's  
14 native language and shall be displayed in a manner that separates it  
15 from other information, is highly noticeable, and in lettering not less  
16 than one-quarter of an inch high.

17 (2) If an international matchmaking organization receives a request  
18 for information from a recruit pursuant to subsection (1) of this  
19 section, the organization shall notify the Washington state resident of  
20 the request. Upon receiving notification, the Washington state  
21 resident shall obtain from the state patrol and provide to the  
22 organization the complete transcript of any background check  
23 information provided pursuant to RCW 43.43.760 based on a submission of  
24 fingerprint impressions and provided pursuant to RCW 43.43.838 and  
25 shall provide to the organization his or her ~~((marital))~~ personal  
26 history information. The organization shall require the resident to  
27 affirm that ~~((marital))~~ personal history information is complete and  
28 accurate(~~(, and includes any information regarding marriages,~~  
29 ~~annulments, and dissolutions which occurred in other states or~~  
30 ~~countries)~~). The organization shall refrain from knowingly providing

1 any further services to the recruit or the Washington state resident in  
2 regards to facilitating future interaction between the recruit and the  
3 Washington state resident until the organization has obtained the  
4 requested information and provided it to the recruit.

5 (3) This section does not apply to a traditional matchmaking  
6 organization of a religious nature that otherwise operates in  
7 compliance with the laws of the countries of the recruits of such  
8 organization and the laws of the United States nor to any organization  
9 that does not charge a fee to any party for the service provided.

10 (4) As used in this section:

11 (a) "International matchmaking organization" means a corporation,  
12 partnership, business, or other legal entity, whether or not organized  
13 under the laws of the United States or any state, that does business in  
14 the United States and for profit offers to Washington state residents,  
15 including aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence and residing  
16 in Washington state, dating, matrimonial, or social referral services  
17 involving citizens of a foreign country or countries who are not  
18 residing in the United States, by: (i) An exchange of names, telephone  
19 numbers, addresses, or statistics; (ii) selection of photographs; or  
20 (iii) a social environment provided by the organization in a country  
21 other than the United States.

22 (b) "~~((Marital))~~ Personal history information" means a declaration  
23 of the person's current marital status, the number of ~~((times))~~  
24 previous marriages, annulments, and dissolutions for the person ~~((has~~  
25 ~~previously been married))~~, and whether any previous marriages occurred  
26 as a result of receiving services from an international matchmaking  
27 organization; founded allegations of child abuse or neglect; and any  
28 existing no contact or antiharrassment protection orders. Personal  
29 history information shall include information from the state of  
30 Washington and any information from other states or countries.

31 (c) "Recruit" means a noncitizen, nonresident person, recruited by  
32 an international matchmaking organization for the purpose of providing  
33 dating, matrimonial, or social referral services."

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1        On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "persons;" strike the  
2 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 19.220.010."

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