

HB 1701 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 2ND SUB)

Establishes the Washington fair chance act.

Prohibits an employer from including any question on an application for employment, from inquiring either orally or in writing, from receiving information through a criminal history background check, or from otherwise obtaining information about an applicant's arrests or convictions before having determined that the applicant is otherwise qualified for the position.

Authorizes the state to: (1) Educate the public about this act and disseminate information about it; and

(2) Form an advisory body representing the views of a broad variety of stakeholders to provide recommendations regarding improved enforcement of this act.