

**HB 1591 - DIGEST**

Addresses the rights of homeless people to survive in public.

Prohibits discrimination based on the housing status of a homeless person.

Prohibits a homeless person from being subject to criminal or civil penalties or harassment by law enforcement, public or private security personnel, or agents of public-private partnerships, for surviving in public space when that person has no reasonable alternative but to survive in public space and existing local shelters are inadequate in number or are functionally inaccessible.

Requires money appropriated by the legislature for civil legal aid to indigent persons to be administered by the office of civil legal aid and be used for contracting with qualified legal aid programs for legal representation of indigent persons in matters relating to the rights of homeless people.