

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

State policy regarding occupational licensing for individuals with criminal history records must be kept current. H.B. 91 requires each state licensing authority that has an eligibility requirement relating to an applicant's criminal history to review that criminal history requirement and make a recommendation regarding whether the requirement should be retained, modified, or repealed. Each authority must submit the results of their review and their recommendations to state leadership.

H.B. 91 amends current law relating to a review of occupational licensing requirements related to an applicant's criminal history.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS. Defines "license" and "licensing authority."

SECTION 2. REVIEW REGARDING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO CRIMINAL HISTORY. Requires that each licensing authority, for each license issued by the authority that has an eligibility requirement related to an applicant's criminal history, review the requirement and make a recommendation regarding whether the requirement should be retained, modified, or repealed.

SECTION 3. REPORT. Requires that each licensing authority, not later than December 1, 2018, submit a report on the results of the authority's review to the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and each member of the legislature and include the authority's recommendations.

SECTION 4. EXPIRATION. Provides that this Act expires January 1, 2019.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2017.