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Support House Bill 728

Carroll County - Prospective Employees and Volunteers - Criminal Records Check

Environment and Transportation Committee

Chair Barve, Vice Chair Stein and Members of the Environment and Transportation Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present HB 728.

This bill was requested by the Carroll County Commissioners.

At this time, current Carroll County law does not require all people who work for the county to have background checks. As federal law changes, it has become necessary to amend who gets a background check. This will eliminate having to make changes every time a new background check occurs at the state of federal level.

The intent of this bill is to ensure that people working with our youth do not have anything in their background that would raise concerns for the young people's safety.

This bill resulted from an incident in the county where a youth coach - who was accused of sexual misconduct with a minor - who had a similar incident in Pennsylvania that would have appeared on a full background check and prevented harm to local children. It is our hope that we will move forward with a better process to protect our children.

The bill passed our full Delegation with an amendment and one member absent.

I request a favorable report on HB 728.

Respectfully,

Delegate April Rose