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**SB 371 Carroll County - Prospective Employees and Volunteers - Criminal
History Records Check**

Chairman Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, and members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee,

Senate Bill 371 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. The would eliminate having to make changes every time a new background check requirement occurs at the State or Federal Level. Intent is to assure that people working with youth do not have anything in their background that would raise concerns. Resulting from an incident in the county where a youth coach was accused of sexual misconduct with a minor and he had a similar incident in PA that could have appeared on a background check. Goal is to better vet those involved with young people.

Approved 3-0 by Carroll County Senators.

I respectfully request a favorable report on Senate Bill 371.