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Brief Title: Ensuring equal opportunity in public employment, education, and contracting.

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Declares that the state is prohibited from using quotas that require hiring or selecting persons in public employment, education, and contracting, based on race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin.

Declares that no affirmative action program operated by the state may hire or select unqualified persons.

Allows the state to ensure equal opportunity in public employment, education, and contracting and to prevent discrimination based on race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to the extent permissible under the United States Constitution.

Declares that nothing in this act limits the ability of courts to correct the effects of, or prevent, discrimination.

Declares that nothing in this act prohibits action reasonably taken to ensure eligibility for any federal program, where ineligibility could result in a loss of federal funds to the state.

Declares that this act constitutes an alternative to Initiative 200. The secretary of state shall place this act on the ballot in conjunction with Initiative 200 at the next regular general election.

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