SB 6095-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Allows a licensee to consider the criminal history of an applicant for employment in a position providing care and treatment to vulnerable adults even if they have criminal convictions if: (1) The department of social and health services reviewed the employee's otherwise disqualifying criminal history through its background assessment review team process conducted in 2002 and determined that the employee could remain in a position; or

(2) The otherwise disqualifying conviction or disposition has been the subject of a pardon, annulment, or other equivalent procedure.

Provides that if an agency operating under contract with the children's administration chooses to hire an individual that would be precluded from employment with the department of social and health services based on a disqualifying crime or negative action, the department and its officers and employees have no liability arising from any injury or harm to a child or other department client that is attributable to the individual.

Replaces the secretary of the department of social and health services' list with the adoption and safe families act of 1997 as the list of disqualifying crimes for which the children's administration may deny or delay a license or approval of unsupervised access to children.