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SENATE BILL 5202

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By Senators Loveland, Hale and Winsley

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to qualifications for working for the county
- 2 treasurer; and amending RCW 9.96A.020.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.96A.020 and 1993 c 71 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) Subject to the exceptions in subsections (3) and (4) of this
- 7 section, and unless there is another provision of law to the contrary,
- 8 a person is not disqualified from employment by the state of Washington
- 9 or any of its counties, cities, towns, municipal corporations, or
- 10 quasi-municipal corporations, nor is a person disqualified to practice,
- 11 pursue or engage in any occupation, trade, vocation, or business for
- 12 which a license, permit, certificate or registration is required to be
- 13 issued by the state of Washington or any of its counties, cities,
- 14 towns, municipal corporations, or quasi-municipal corporations solely
- 15 because of a prior conviction of a felony. However, this section does
- 16 not preclude the fact of any prior conviction of a crime from being
- 17 considered.
- 18 (2) A person may be denied employment by the state of Washington or
- 19 any of its counties, cities, towns, municipal corporations, or quasi-

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- municipal corporations, or a person may be denied a license, permit, 1 certificate or registration to pursue, practice or engage in an 2 occupation, trade, vocation, or business by reason of the prior 3 4 conviction of a felony if the felony for which he or she was convicted directly relates to the position of employment sought or to the 5 specific occupation, trade, vocation, or business for which the 6 7 license, permit, certificate or registration is sought, and the time 8 elapsed since the conviction is less than ten years. However, for positions in the county treasurer's office, a person may be 9 disqualified from employment because of a prior guilty plea or 10 conviction of a felony involving embezzlement or theft, even if the 11 time elapsed since the quilty plea or conviction is ten years or more. 12
 - (3) A person is disqualified for any certificate required or authorized under chapters 28A.405 or 28A.410 RCW, because of a prior guilty plea or the conviction of a felony involving sexual exploitation of a child under chapter 9.68A RCW, sexual offenses under chapter 9A.44 RCW where a minor is the victim, promoting prostitution of a minor under chapter 9A.88 RCW, or a violation of similar laws of another jurisdiction, even if the time elapsed since the guilty plea or conviction is ten years or more.
 - (4) A person is disqualified from employment by school districts, educational service districts, and their contractors hiring employees who will have regularly scheduled unsupervised access to children, because of a prior guilty plea or conviction of a felony involving sexual exploitation of a child under chapter 9.68A RCW, sexual offenses under chapter 9A.44 RCW where a minor is the victim, promoting prostitution of a minor under chapter 9A.88 RCW, or a violation of similar laws of another jurisdiction, even if the time elapsed since the guilty plea or conviction is ten years or more.
- 30 (5) Subsections (3) and (4) of this section only apply to a person applying for a certificate or for employment on or after July 25, 1993.

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