

2SHB 1399 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-1916.2/25) **782**

By Representative Walsh

1 On page 17, beginning on line 26 of the striking amendment,
2 after "(7)" strike all material through "RCW 36.28.025" on page 18,
3 line 2 and insert "Prior to certification, the employing agency
4 shall certify to the commission that the agency has completed the
5 background check, no information has been found that would
6 disqualify the applicant from certification, and the applicant is
7 suitable for employment as a peace officer or corrections officer"

EFFECT: Removes language providing that: 1) prior to appointing a person as sheriff, police chief, or marshal, the employing agency must attest to the Criminal Justice Training Commission (CJTC) that the agency has received or conducted a completed background investigation and that the applicant was determined under CJTC rules to be suitable for the position; 2) applicants determined by the background investigation to have engaged in conduct meeting decertification criteria must be considered unsuitable for employment as a peace officer; and 3) persons filing for candidacy for the elected office of sheriff must, by the filing deadline, have submitted the request for a background investigation and an attestation that the candidate meets eligibility requirements.

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