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HOUSE BILL 1638

Short Title: Private Protect. Services Crim. Hist. Check. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Haire.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO PROVIDE CRIMINAL RECORD CHECKS TO THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD AND TO CHARGE A FEE FOR CONDUCTING THE CHECK.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 74C-8(c) is amended to add a new subdivision to read:

The Department of Justice may provide a criminal record check to the "(5) Private Protective Services Board for a person who has applied for a new or renewal license, registration, certification, or permit through the Private Protective Services Board, if the applicant consents to the record check. The Board shall provide to the Department of Justice, along with the request, the fingerprints of the applicant, any additional information required by the Department of Justice, and a form signed by the applicant consenting to the check of the criminal record and to the use of the fingerprints and other identifying information required by the State or national repositories. The applicant's fingerprints shall be forwarded to the State Bureau of Investigation for a search of the State's criminal history record file, and the State Bureau of Investigation shall forward a set of the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history check. The Board shall keep all information pursuant to this section privileged, in accordance with applicable State and federal guidelines, and the information shall be confidential and shall not be a public record under Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The Department of Justice may charge each applicant a fee for conducting the checks of national criminal history records authorized by this subdivision."

SECTION 2. If the Private Security Officer Employment Standards Act of 2002 is ratified by the United States Congress, the State of North Carolina declines to

- 1 participate in the background check system authorized by that act as a result of the
- 2 enactment of this act.
- 3 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.