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Act No. 58 (S.134). Executive; federal tax information; background investigations

An act relating to background investigations for State employees with access to federal tax information

This act proposes to permit additional State agencies to conduct background investigations of employees with access to federal tax information, to permit periodic background reinvestigations of employees with access to federal tax information, and to require the State to bargain with the collective bargaining representative of the employees' bargaining unit in relation to the impact of the results of those background investigations. This act also clarifies the circumstances in which the Commissioner of Human Resources may authorize a temporary employee to work more than 1,280 hours in a calendar year, provides an exemption from the 1,280 hour per calendar year limitation for seasonal employees, and provides temporary and seasonal workers with the same whistleblower protections as permanent State employees. Finally, this act creates 30 new Correctional Officer I positions in the Department of Corrections and requires the Executive and Judicial branches to submit reports regarding their use of temporary and seasonal employees.

Multiple effective dates, beginning on July 1, 2019