

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to require background checks for applicants seeking admission to the State Bar of South Dakota.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That chapter 16-16 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

Each applicant for admission to practice as an attorney or counselor at law in this state shall submit to a criminal background investigation, by means of fingerprint checks by the Division of Criminal Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Board of Bar Examiners shall submit completed fingerprint cards to the Division of Criminal Investigation prior to admittance of an applicant. If no disqualifying record is identified at the state level, the fingerprints shall be forwarded by the Division of Criminal Investigation to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history record check. The results of the criminal history check shall be given to the Board of Bar Examiners to determine an applicant's qualification for admission pursuant to § 16-16-2 to 16-16-2.3, inclusive.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the

HOUSE as Bill No. 1054

Chief Clerk

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Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

House Bill No. 1054
File No. _____
Chapter No. _____

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Received at this Executive Office this ____ day of _____ ,

20____ at _____ M.

By _____
for the Governor

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The attached Act is hereby approved this _____ day of _____ , A.D., 20____

Governor

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
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Office of the Secretary of State

Filed _____ , 20____
at _____ o'clock __ M.

Secretary of State

By _____
Asst. Secretary of State