S.B. No. 2488 1-1 By: Creighton 1-2 1-3 (In the Senate - Filed March 27, 2019; March 27, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs; April 8, 2019, reported adversely, with favorable Committee 1-4 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; April 8, 2019, 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Huffman	X	-		
1-10	Hughes	X			
1-11	Birdwell	X			
1-12	Creighton	X			
1-13	Fallon	Х			
1-14	Hall	X			
1-15	Lucio			X	
1-16	Nelson	Х			
1-17	Zaffirini			X	

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 2488

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1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-20 AN ACT

relating to the authority of a political subdivision to adopt or enforce certain regulations regarding whether a private employer 1-21 1-22 may obtain, consider, or take employment action based on an 1-23 employment applicant's or employee's criminal history record 1-24 1-25 information.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Title 3, Labor Code, is amended by adding Chapter 106 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 106. CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION OF EMPLOYMENT APPLICANT OR EMPLOYEE

106.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:
(1) "Applicant" means a person who has made an oral or written application with a private employer, or has sent a resume or other correspondence to a private employer, indicating an interest in employment.

(2) "Criminal history record information" has the meaning assigned by Section 411.082, Government Code.

(3) "Employee" means an individual who is employed by an employer for compensation.

(4) "Employer" means a person who employs one or more

employees.
Sec. 106.002. CONSIDERATION OF CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION OF EMPLOYMENT APPLICANT OR EMPLOYEE. A political subdivision of this state may not adopt or enforce any ordinance, order, rule, regulation, or policy that prohibits, limits, or otherwise regulates a private employer's ability to request, consider, or take employment action based on the criminal history record information of an applicant or employee.

SECTION 2. Chapter 106, Labor Code, as added by this Act, applies to an ordinance, order, rule, regulation, or policy adopted before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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