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HOUSE BILL ***1038-FN***

AN ACT relative to prohibiting registered sex offenders from employment at businesses providing direct services to minors or direct supervision or oversight of minors.

SPONSORS: Rep. Verville, Rock. 2

COMMITTEE: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits registered sex offenders from employment at businesses providing direct services to minors or direct supervision or oversight of minors.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics.***
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Four

AN ACT relative to prohibiting registered sex offenders from employment at businesses providing direct services to minors or direct supervision or oversight of minors.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

53:1 Sexual Assault and Related Offenses; Prohibition From Contact With a Minor. Amend RSA 632-A:10 to read as follows:

632-A:10 Prohibition From [~~Child Care Service of Persons Convicted of Certain Offenses~~] ***Employment in Businesses Providing Direct Services to Minors or Direct Supervision or Oversight of Minors***.

I. A person is guilty of a class A felony if, having been convicted in this or any other jurisdiction of any felonious offense involving child sexual abuse images, or of a felonious physical assault on a minor, or of any sexual assault, he or she knowingly [~~undertakes~~] ***engages in*** employment or volunteer service***,*** [~~involving the care, instruction or guidance of minor children, including, but not limited to, service as a teacher, a coach, or worker of any type in child athletics, a day care worker, a boy or girl scout master or leader or worker, a summer camp counselor or worker of any type, a guidance counselor, or a school administrator of any type~~] ***either as the employer or provider of such service or as an employee or volunteer, that consists of acting as a public or private school teacher, school administrator, guidance counselor, coach, a worker of any kind in child athletics, a day care worker, a boy or girl scout master or leader or worker, a camp counselor, or any employment or volunteer activity that provides services exclusively or predominantly to minors, that involves direct supervision of minors, or that involves one on one work with minors, or any employment or volunteer service that involves the direct supervision of minors, or one on one work with other minor employees.***

II. A person is guilty of a class B felony if, having been convicted in this or any other jurisdiction of any of the offenses specified in paragraph I of this section, he ***or she*** knowingly fails to provide information of such conviction when [~~applying or volunteering for service or employment of any type involving the care, instruction, or guidance of minor children, including, but not limited to, the types of services set forth in paragraph I~~] ***offering employment or volunteer service opportunities or applying for or engaging in employment or volunteer service of the kind specified in paragraph I***.

III. A person is guilty of a class B felony if, having been convicted in this or any other jurisdiction of any of the offenses specified in paragraph I of this section, he ***or she*** knowingly fails to provide information of such conviction when making application for initial teacher certification in this state.

53:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2025.

Approved: June 14, 2024
Effective Date: January 01, 2025