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Referred to Committee on BANKING

Introduced by: (BA)

AN ACT PROHIBITING EMPLOYER CREDIT INQUIRIES FOR POSITIONS INVOLVING ACCESS TO CERTAIN NONFINANCIAL ASSETS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 31-51tt of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 3 *October 1, 2017*):
- 4 (a) As used in this section:
- 5 (1) "Employee" means any person engaged in service to an employer
- 6 in a business of his employer;
- 7 (2) "Employer" means any person engaged in business who has one
- 8 or more employees, including the state or any political subdivision of
- 9 the state;
- 10 (3) "Financial institution" means (A) any entity or affiliate of a state
- 11 bank and trust company, national banking association, state or
- 12 federally chartered savings bank, state or federally chartered savings
- 13 and loan association, state or federally chartered credit union,

- insurance company, investment advisor, broker-dealer, (B) an entity 14
- 15 registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or (C) any
- 16 mortgage broker, mortgage correspondent lender or mortgage lender
- 17 licensed pursuant to chapter 668 or any mortgage servicing company,
- 18 as defined in section 36a-715; and
- 19 (4) "Substantially related to the employee's current or potential job" 20 means the information contained in the credit report is related to the
- 21 position for which the employee or prospective employee who is the
- 22 subject of the report is being evaluated because the position:
- 23 (A) Is a managerial position which involves setting the direction or
- 24 control of a business, division, unit or an agency of a business;
- 25 (B) Involves access to customers', employees' or the employer's
- 26 personal or financial information other than information customarily
- 27 provided in a retail transaction;
- 28 (C) Involves a fiduciary responsibility to the employer, including,
- 29 but not limited to, the authority to issue payments, collect debts,
- 30 transfer money or enter into contracts;
- 31 (D) Provides an expense account or corporate debit or credit card; or
- 32 (E) Provides access to (i) confidential or proprietary business
- 33 information, or (ii) information, including a formula, pattern,
- 34 compilation, program, device, method, technique, process or trade
- 35 secret that: (I) Derives independent economic value, actual or
- 36 potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily
- 37 ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain
- 38 economic value from the disclosure or use of the information; and (II)
- 39 is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to
- 40 maintain its secrecy. [; or]
- 41 [(F) Involves access to the employer's nonfinancial assets valued at
- 42 two thousand five dollars or more, including, but not limited to,
- 43 museum and library collections and to prescription drugs and other

44 pharmaceuticals.]

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2017	31-51tt(a)

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