



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6203

LCO No. 1977



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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
REP. HADDAD, 54th Dist.

**AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN RECORDS CONCERNING NATIVE
AMERICAN CULTURAL KNOWLEDGE FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.**

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

- 1 That chapter 14 of the general statutes be amended to exempt from
- 2 public disclosure any records concerning Native American cultural
- 3 knowledge provided (1) to any public agency with obligations under
- 4 the federal Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act,
- 5 and (2) by a tribal nation as evidence to prove that ancestral remains or
- 6 artifacts were affiliated with a particular tribe.

Statement of Purpose:

To facilitate the repatriation of Native American remains and artifacts
by enabling state institutions to keep confidential any records provided
as evidence that ancestral remains or artifacts were affiliated with a
particular tribe.