



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5339**

February Session, 2024



**AN ACT PROHIBITING THE CONSIDERATION OF SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY HISTORY DURING THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) No institution of higher  
2 education in the state shall consider the school disciplinary history of an  
3 applicant for admission during the admissions process. If such  
4 institution inquires about school disciplinary history on an application  
5 for admission, an applicant's answer to such inquiry shall be redacted  
6 or suppressed during the admissions process. As used in this section,  
7 "school disciplinary history" means any record of action taken against a  
8 student by a secondary school for violation of a policy of the secondary  
9 school.

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

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
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**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

In the third sentence, "of the secondary school" was inserted after "policy" for clarity.

**HED**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*