

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT EXPLANATION



Bill Number: **HB 2515**

Farnsworth E Floor Amendment

1. Removes language requiring all judicial nominees to provide fingerprints for a criminal records check.
2. Requires any applicant for a superior court vacancy to provide fingerprints for a state and federal criminal records check to the Governor prior to appointment.
3. Exempts applicants who have already provided fingerprints to the:
 - a. Supreme Court;
 - b. Commission on Appellate Court Appointments; or
 - c. Commission on Trial Court Appointments.
 - i. Current law (A.R.S. § 12-102(B)) requires any person applying for a judicial vacancy through either the Commission on Appellate Court Appointments or Commission on Trial Court Appointments to provide a set of fingerprints for purposes of a background investigation. This information is included in the files of applicants whose names are submitted to the Governor.

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FARNSWORTH E FLOOR AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2515
(Reference to printed bill)

1 Page 1, strike lines 2 through 40, insert:

2 "Section 1. Title 12, chapter 23, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 12-3152, to read:

6 A. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON WHO
7 APPLIES TO THE GOVERNOR TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE SUPERIOR COURT, BEFORE
8 APPOINTMENT, SHALL SUBMIT A FULL SET OF FINGERPRINTS TO THE GOVERNOR FOR
9 THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING A STATE AND FEDERAL CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK
10 PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1750 AND PUBLIC LAW 92-544. THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 PUBLIC SAFETY MAY EXCHANGE THIS FINGERPRINT DATA WITH THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF
12 INVESTIGATION.

13 B. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A SUPERIOR COURT APPLICANT WHO HAS
14 ALREADY SUBMITTED A FULL SET OF FINGERPRINTS TO THE SUPREME COURT, THE
15 COMMISSION ON APPELLATE COURT APPOINTMENTS OR THE COMMISSION ON TRIAL COURT
16 APPOINTMENTS."

17 Amend title to conform

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