House Economic Development and Workforce Services

February 21st, 2025

Bill: SB 147 – Youth Service Organizations Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Keith Grover Floor Sponsor: Representative Tyler Clancy **UASD Position: Tracking**

This Bill amends provisions related to registered sex offender checks for potential youth workers.

Discussion: Senator Keith Grover explained that current law mandates youth service organizations to conduct a sex offender registry background check on minors prior to their employment. This Bill amends that requirement, making it optional rather than mandatory. He highlighted that some minors may lack a government-issued ID, complicating the completion of background checks. Senator Grover emphasized that the Bill simply provides employers the flexibility to hire minors without the necessity of a sex offender registry background check. Representative Shallenberger expressed support for the Bill. The Bill was subsequently placed on the House consent calendar, with no further discussion.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 N/V: 3

Outcome: SB 147 passed out of the Committee with a favorable recommendation and was placed on the consent calendar.