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Sectional Analysis | HB169 version A 2-25-2020

Sec. 1: This section requires the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development to waive fees, for someone applying to receive their first license, if they meet the criteria provided in a subsequent section.

Sec. 2: This section allows fees to be waived for an individual applicant's initial occupational licensing costs if they are low-income, or a current or former member of the military or the spouse of a current or former member of the military.

Sec. 3: This section prevents a denial of a license based upon an arrest that doesn't result in a conviction. It also allows an applicant to appeal a denial for a license, that is based upon a prior conviction of the applicant.

Sec. 4: This section requires the department to issue an occupational license to an applicant that has completed the 8th grade and has successfully completed an apprenticeship approved by the US Department of Labor, and passed the appropriate licensing examination, and is at least 18 years of age, and has completed the necessary hours required for licensed training. The department may adopt regulations to implement this section.

Sec. 5: This section adds state preemption language to prevent municipalities from making law regarding section 7.

Sec. 6: This section prevents a municipality from enacting or enforcing a minimum wage that differs from the state's minimum wage rate calculated in statute.

Sec. 7: This section prevents a municipality from enacting or enforcing laws or regulations that relate to this proposed legislation, unless it was in place prior to this legislation going into effect. There is grand-fathering language for any such laws. A municipality is prohibited from hiring lobbyists that provide lobbying services for a municipal licensing board or agency.

Sec. 8: This section places new language in statute relating to applicability to lobbying that was dealt with in the prior section.