

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §4-3-6

§4-3-6. Authority to screen employees of the Legislature; background checks.

The Joint Committee on Government and Finance shall create and implement a background check program to facilitate the processing and analysis of the criminal history and background of applicants for employment by the Legislature. In the course of determining an applicant's eligibility for employment with the Legislature, the legislative manager shall request each applicant to submit a full set of fingerprints for the purpose of conducting a criminal history record check. Records shall be checked through the Criminal Identification Bureau of the West Virginia State Police and the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history record check and the results shall be made available to the Director of the Division of Protective Services. If the results of the criminal history check reveal an offense or offenses, the Director of the Division of Protective Services shall advise the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Delegates or the joint committee depending on the appropriate hiring authority for the position sought by the applicant.