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To: Caitlin Carey caitlin.carey@uwasc.org
CC: Brent Kossick brent.kossick@uwasc.org
Date: 7/22/2013 12:24:20 AM
Subject: RE: State Statute - AmeriCorps FBI Checks

Quick update...I heard back from Kathryn, and she's out the week of the 29th, so it looks like we'll be into the following week. I'll get the meeting arranged when I get back then - thanks.

CLS

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From: Caitlin Carey [caitlin.carey@uwasc.org]
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 3:42 PM
To: Soura, Christian
Cc: Brent Kossick
Subject: Re: State Statute - AmeriCorps FBI Checks

Hey Christian!

Thank you so much for doing that! And I hope you enjoy your well deserved time off next week!

That totally makes sense! I had put together this one-pager and sent it ,and our draft language, to Richardson with our meeting request. Let me know if this is what you had in mind, or if I should create something else!

Again, please enjoy the mountains and we'll look forward to hearing from you when you return!
Caitlin

On Fri, Jul 19, 2013 at 11:45 AM, Soura, Christian <ChristianSoura@gov.sc.gov> wrote:

OK, I sent her an email and said I wanted the four of us to meet here the week of July 29th (I'm out of the office next week). So I'll let you know when I've got a date/time for the meeting.

One thing that I think can help to make that meeting go smoothly...would you be able to tweak that summary document a little to go more in this kind of an order:

1. Current law/practice for the relevant background checks
2. The specific issue you're trying to resolve (and why...what's prompting your request?)
3. What you'd like future law/practice to be...explain what specifically needs to change (from what, to what?)
4. If available, the specific language that you think accomplishes the goal

In thinking through how the meeting should progress, that's roughly the order I've got in mind. I think it would probably be easiest for the SLED folks to follow the issue that way. Does that make sense?

If I hear back from her before I leave town this weekend, I'll let you know. There's a fair chance that she'll respond while I'm off the grid next week, in which case, it may not be until the 29th that you hear from me. So if that happens, I haven't forgotten about this – I'm just hiding in the mountains without my BlackBerry. Thanks.

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From: Caitlin Carey [mailto:caitlin.carey@uwasc.org]

Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 1:46 PM

To: Soura, Christian

Cc: Brent Kossick

Subject: Re: State Statute - AmeriCorps FBI Checks

Hey Christian!

I haven't heard from Ms. Richardson today. Her number is (803) 896-7156 and her email is KRichardson@sled.sc.gov if you wouldn't mind giving it a go!

Thanks again for all your help!

On Mon, Jul 15, 2013 at 12:48 PM, Caitlin Carey <caitlin.carey@uwasc.org> wrote:

Ok sounds great! Thank you so much!

On Mon, Jul 15, 2013 at 12:35 PM, Soura, Christian <ChristianSoura@gov.sc.gov> wrote:

Yeah, no problem. Let me know if you've heard back Thursday night, and if not, I'll reach out on Friday.

Thanks.

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From: Caitlin Carey [mailto:caitlin.carey@uwasc.org]

Sent: Monday, July 15, 2013 11:50 AM

To: Soura, Christian

Cc: Brent Kossick

Subject: Re: State Statute - AmeriCorps FBI Checks

Well Im beginning to think we may need help actually getting the meeting. I've called and emailed her with no response. However, I sent the latest email last Thursday. If she hasn't responded by this Thursday, would you mind giving her/SLED a call?

On Sat, Jul 13, 2013 at 12:32 AM, Soura, Christian <ChristianSoura@gov.sc.gov> wrote:

OK...if you haven't booked the meeting with Kathryn yet, then we can book it in the conference room in the Governor's Office and I can sit in, if that will help to move things along. Just let me know. Thanks.

CLS

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From: Caitlin Carey [mailto:caitlin.carey@uwasc.org]

Sent: Thursday, July 11, 2013 11:30 AM

To: Brent Kossick

Cc: Soura, Christian; Caitlin Carey

Subject: Re: State Statute - AmeriCorps FBI Checks

Hello Christian!

Good luck on that whole piecing-back-together thing :)

I can't think of anything right now. I am attaching the latest version of the language we have. I am waiting for the OK from SLED on this version before I contact their lobbyist.
(I would like to extend the professional courtesy of meeting with her and talking about this before trying to round up sponsors)

After the meeting with Kathryn Richardson, we may need help with suggestions for sponsors.

Thanks for reaching out, you're just so awesome!
Caitlin

On Thu, Jul 11, 2013 at 10:12 AM, Brent Kossick <brent.kossick@uwasc.org> wrote:
Hello Christian,

I am glad that you get the brief opportunity to piece your life back together and thank you for reaching out to us.

Caitlin, I know that your plan for the statute is in full swing, is there any additional assistance that Christian can provide?

Best,
Brent

On Thu, Jul 11, 2013 at 9:41 AM, Soura, Christian <ChristianSoura@gov.sc.gov> wrote:
Do you want to get together again on this sometime in the next couple of weeks? Now that session's over, I'm slowly piecing my life back together. Thanks.

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From: caitlin.carey17@gmail.com [mailto:caitlin.carey17@gmail.com] On Behalf Of Caitlin Carey
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2013 10:49 AM
To: Soura, Christian
Subject: Fwd: State Statute - AmeriCorps FBI Checks

Hey Christian!

These are the documents that Brent and I will be referencing while we're on the call- just in case youll need to take a peek!

Thanks! Talk soon!

----- Forwarded message -----
From: Brent Kossick <Brent@uwasc.org>
Date: Wed, Feb 20, 2013 at 12:40 PM
Subject: Fwd: State Statute - AmeriCorps FBI Checks
To: Caitlin Carey <caitlin@uwasc.org>

----- Forwarded message -----
From: Brent Kossick <Brent@uwasc.org>
Date: Mon, Dec 10, 2012 at 4:06 PM
Subject: State Statute - AmeriCorps FBI Checks
To: Christian Soura <christiansoura@gov.sc.gov>
Cc: Emily Thompson <emily@uwasc.org>, Timothy Ervolina <timothy@uwasc.org>

Hello Christian,

Thank you again for offering to assist our staff in bringing our programs into compliance under the new National Service Criminal Background Check Regulations.

To comply with 45 CFE Parts 2510, 2522, 2540, 2551, and 2552 (Attached), we need a state statute in place that authorizes SLED to facilitate the exchange of a fingerprint-based criminal history record check with the FBI for individuals who wish to participate in a program or project supported by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Here is the FBI provision that sets this requirement for states:

"The FBI's authority to conduct a criminal history record check for non-criminal justice purposes is based upon Public Law (Pub. L.) 92-544. Pursuant to that law, the FBI is empowered to exchange criminal history record information with officials of state and local governments for employment, licensing, which includes volunteers, and other similar non-criminal justice purposes, if authorized by a state statute which has been approved by the Attorney General of the United States.

The U.S. Department of Justice has advised that the state statute establishing guidelines for a category of employment or the issuance of a license must, in itself, require fingerprinting and authorize the governmental licensing or employing agency to exchange fingerprint data directly with the FBI."

The inner workings of the SC state government are still quite foreign to me, and I am not quite sure what you need in order to get this needed statute on the books, but I suspect that it would look very similar to what is included in Section D1 and D5 of Title 63.

- South Carolina's Children's Code

Chapter 13. (I have attached and highlighted these sections.)

Thank you again for your help and please let me know what else I can do to help facilitate this process.

Best,

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