2016 SESSION

HB 773 Government Nondiscrimination Act; created.

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SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Government Nondiscrimination Act; creation. Creates the Government Nondiscrimination Act (the Act), which prohibits a government entity from taking any discriminatory action against a person on the basis that such person believes, speaks, or acts in accordance with a sincerely held religious belief that marriage is or should be recognized as the union of one man and one woman and that the terms "man" and "woman" refer to an individual's immutable biological sex as objectively determined by anatomy and genetics of the individual at the time of birth. For purposes of the Act, discriminatory actions include actions that adversely affect the tax treatment of a person or that withhold or otherwise make unavailable any (i) grant, contract, subcontract, cooperative agreement, guarantee, loan, scholarship, license, certification, accreditation, or employment; (ii) entitlement or benefit under a benefit program; or (iii) entitlement to utilize state property. The Act also provides that a person shall be considered to be validly accredited, licensed, or certified for any purpose under state law if such person would otherwise have been accredited, licensed, or certified but for a determination based upon such person's sincerely held religious belief or moral conviction.

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01/12/16 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/16 16102510D pdf
02/11/16 House: Committee substitute printed 16105495D-H1 pdf
02/22/16 Senate: Committee substitute printed 16105751D-S1 pdf
HISTORY
01/12/16 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/16 16102510D
01/12/16 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws
02/03/16 House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #4
02/11/16 House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (13-Y 7-N)
02/11/16 House: Committee substitute printed 16105495D-H1
02/11/16 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendment(s) (4-Y 1-N)
02/13/16 House: Read first time
02/15/16 House: Read second time
02/15/16 House: Committee substitute agreed to 16105495D-H1
02/15/16 House: Motion to refer to Courts of Justice committee rejected
02/15/16 House: Pending question ordered
02/15/16 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB773H1
02/16/16 House: Read third time and passed House (56-Y 41-N)
02/16/16 House: VOTE: PASSAGE (56-Y 41-N)
02/17/16 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed
02/17/16 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
02/22/16 Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology with substitute (8-Y 7-N)
02/22/16 Senate: Committee substitute printed 16105751D-S1
02/24/16 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (39-Y 0-N)
02/25/16 Senate: Read third time
02/25/16 Senate: Reading of substitute waived
02/25/16 Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 16105751D-S1

02/25/16 Senate: Pending question ordered (34-Y 6-N)
02/25/16 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute HB773S1
02/25/16 Senate: Passed Senate with substitute (21-Y 19-N)
02/26/16 House: Placed on Calendar
02/29/16 House: Passed by until Thursday, March 3, 2016
03/03/16 House: Passed by until Monday, March 7, 2016
03/07/16 House: Passed by for the day
03/08/16 House: Passed by for the day
03/09/16 House: Speaker ruled Senate substitute 16105751D-S1 not germane
03/10/16 Senate: Chair ruled bill not properly before the Senate
03/11/16 House: No further action taken
03/11/16 House: Failed to pass in House