The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Any state agency that obtains federal tax information as authorized under 26 U.S.C. 6103(d) shall require a criminal history record information check of any agency employee who has been identified by the agency as being authorized to have direct access to federal tax information. Any such employee shall submit a complete set of his or her fingerprints to the Nebraska State Patrol. The Nebraska State Patrol shall transmit a copy of the employee's fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history record information check. Criminal history record information subject to federal confidentiality requirements may only be used for the purposes of making, supporting, or defending decisions regarding the appointment, hiring, or retention of employees or for complying with any requirements of the Internal Revenue Service regarding federal tax information.

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