

Legislation Text

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Item Title & Description:

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A bill for an ordinance repealing the requirement to include a "worker without authorization" clause in city contracts, and related provisions, from the Denver Revised Municipal Code.

Repeals Denver Revised Municipal Code Article IV Division 5 to remove requirements for city verification of contractor employee lawful employment status in conformance with changes to state law. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 1-24-2023.

Affected Council District(s) or citywide? Citywide

Executive Summary with Rationale and Impact:

Detailed description of the item and why we are doing it. This can be a separate attachment.

- In 2006, the Colorado General Assembly adopted HB06-1343 which imposed requirements for public contracts for services with state agencies or political subdivisions (like the city). It
 - Prohibited the city from entering into or renewing any public contract for services with a contractor who knowingly employs or subcontracts with an "illegal alien" to perform work under the contract
 - Required contractors to confirm the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired to perform work under the public contract for services through the federal E-verify program
- In 2010, Denver Councilmembers initiated and adopted a bill to codify this state statute, along with additional requirements for Auditor oversight and termination procedures.

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- During the 2021 legislative session, the General Assembly, through SB21-199, repealed a variety of prohibitions related to immigration status in statute, including the requirements around city contracts set by HB06-1343.
- In order to conform with state law, remove the city from the business of immigration enforcement, continue our work as a welcoming city, and lessen the administrative burden on city contractors, the City is now proposing to repeal Article IV, Division 5 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code.
- Nothing in this bill changes Federal requirements for verification of lawful employment status or use of E-verify

Address/Location (if applicable):

Legal Description (if applicable):

Denver Revised Municipal Code (D.R.M.C.) Citation (if applicable): Denver Revised Municipal Code Article IV Division 5

Draft Bill Attached? Yes