

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Non-Cooperation with Religion Registry]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to prohibit the City from using resources to create, implement, provide investigation or information for, enforce, or otherwise assist or support any government program requiring the registration of individuals on the basis of religion, or creating a database of individuals on the basis of religion.

Existing Law

Current law does not regulate whether the City may provide information to other government entities regarding the religious affiliation of any individual or assist other government entities in creating a database or registry of individuals based on religious affiliation. Current law prohibits the City from discriminating against any individual on the basis of religious affiliation.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would prohibit any City entity, employee, or officer from (1) using City resources to assist in any way with a government program that creates a list, database, or registry of individuals on the basis of religious affiliation or requires registration of individuals on the basis of religious affiliation, and (2) using City resources to disclose to any government entity personal information regarding any individual for the purposes of creating a list, database, or registry of individuals on the basis of religious affiliation. The ordinance would also prohibit the City from creating a list, registry, or database of individuals on the basis of religious affiliation. The Human Rights Commission is delegated authority to receive and investigate complaints of violations of the ordinance and to issue findings regarding any substantiated violation.

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