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Hi,

I would like to petition to make a rule that employers are not allowed to check a person's credit history to determine whether they should hire them or not. It should not be a factor since most people apply for jobs to get money to pay down bills and improve their credit. We are expected to pay bills but can't if we aren't hired to work good paying jobs. Additionally, the credit system is discriminatory already, this can decrease the discrimination we experience.

If they are allowed to check the credit they should hire people if they meet the job qualifications, or can be trained to meet those qualifications, and take part of their check to pay off their debts until they are paid, then pay them in full. It's better to have some money coming in then none at all. Is there anyway to implement these changes.

Thanks,

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