823060

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: RCS 03/18/2013

The Committee on Education (Montford) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment

Delete lines 52 - 74

and insert:

1 2 3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12 13

necessity that any portion of a meeting of the board of directors of a university direct-support organization, or the executive committee or other committees of the board, at which the identity of a donor or prospective donor is discussed be exempt from disclosure. For the benefit of the state universities, and ultimately all citizens of this state, directsupport organizations serve a vital role in raising charitable donations from private sources. This undertaking demands great sensitivity and discretion, as donors and prospective donors

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

2.2 23

24

25

26

27

28



frequently seek anonymity and are concerned about the potential release of sensitive financial information. If direct-support organizations cannot protect the anonymity of donors or prospective donors, prospective donors may decline to contribute, thus hampering the ability of the direct-support organization to fully accomplish its mission. The state recognizes these realities by expressly making most of the records of direct-support organizations confidential and exempt from the state's public records laws, including the identity of donors or prospective donors. Failure to close meetings at which the identity of donors or prospective donors is discussed would significantly compromise the confidentiality of such donors.

(2) The Legislature further finds that it is a public necessity that any portion of a meeting of the board of directors