

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2014 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Criminal Justice

CS/HB 525 — Public Records/Personal Identifying Information/Licensure to Carry Concealed Weapon or Firearm

by Business and Professional Regulation Subcommittee; and Reps. Grant, Steube, and others (CS/SB 546 by Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee; and Senators Simpson, Bean, and Bradley)

The bill amends s. 790.0601, F.S., to expand the current confidential and exempt status of the personal identifying information collected from a person applying for a license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm, or the renewal of a license, and held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) to the county tax collectors who will be collecting and holding the same information pursuant to the authorization in CS/CS/HB 523.

The bill provides for an Open Government Sunset Review of the exemption and repeal on October 2, 2019, if the exemption is not reenacted.

The exemption expanded by this bill applies to personal identifying information held by a county tax collector appointed by DACS to receive that information from a person who is applying through the county tax collector to DACS for a concealed weapon or firearm license or renewal. It applies to such information held by the tax collector before, on, or after the effective date of the bill. The bill includes a statement of public necessity.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2014.

Vote: Senate 37-1; House 112-4