THE FLORIDA SENATE 2020 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED Committee on Health Policy

CS/CS/SB 406 — Public Records/Minor's Petition to Waive Consent/Abortion

by Rules Committee; Health Policy Committee; and Senator Stargel

The bill creates s. 390.01118, F.S., to make confidential and exempt from public inspection and copying any information that can be used to identify a minor who is petitioning a circuit court for a judicial waiver pursuant to the Parental Notification of and Consent for Abortion Act established in CS/CS/SB 404. Specifically, the bill provides that any such information is:

- Confidential and exempt from Art. I, s. 24(a), State Constitution, if held by a circuit court or an appellate court; and
- Confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), F.S., and Art. I, s. 24(a), State Constitution, if held by the office of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel or the Justice Administrative Commission.

The bill provides legislative findings that the public records exemption is a public necessity and provides that the public records exemption is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act and will be repealed on October 2, 2025, unless reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect on the same date as CS/CS/SB 404. *Vote: Senate 39-1; House 112-3*

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