

By Senator Forman

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to public records; amending s.
3 119.07, F.S.; providing an exemption from the
4 public records law for certain records
5 furnished pursuant to certain housing
6 assistance programs; providing a statement of
7 public necessity; providing for future review
8 and repeal; providing an effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (cc) is added to subsection (3)
13 of section 119.07, Florida Statutes, to read:

14 119.07 Inspection, examination, and duplication of
15 records; exemptions.--

16 (3)

17 (cc)1. Medical history records, bank account numbers,
18 credit card numbers, telephone numbers, and information
19 related to health or property insurance furnished by an
20 individual to any agency pursuant to federal, state, or local
21 housing assistance programs are exempt from the provisions of
22 subsection (1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.
23 Any other information produced or received by any private or
24 public entity in direct connection with federal, state, or
25 local housing assistance programs, unless the subject of
26 another federal or state exemption, is subject to subsection
27 (1).

28 2. Governmental agencies or their agents are entitled
29 to access to the records specified in this paragraph for the
30 purposes of auditing federal, state, or local housing programs
31 or housing assistance programs.

1 3. This paragraph is repealed effective October 2,
2 2002, and must be reviewed by the Legislature before that date
3 in accordance with s. 119.15, the Open Government Sunset
4 Review Act of 1995.

5 Section 2. The Legislature finds it is a public
6 necessity that medical history records, bank account numbers,
7 credit card numbers, telephone numbers, and information
8 related to health or property insurance furnished to a housing
9 assistance program be held confidential and exempt from public
10 records requirements because revealing such information could
11 create the opportunity for fraud and is an unnecessary
12 intrusion into the personal affairs of the program
13 participants.

14 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1998.

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17 SENATE SUMMARY

18 Provides an exemption from the public records law for
19 certain records furnished pursuant to certain housing
20 assistance programs.

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