HOUSE AMENDMENT

Bill No. <u>HB 1147</u>

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11	The Committee on Insurance offered the following:
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13	Amendment (with title amendment)
14	Remove from the bill: Everything after the enacting clause
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16	and insert in lieu thereof:
17	Section 1. Section 627.3111, Florida Statutes, is
18	created to read:
19	627.3111 Confidentiality of personal information of
20	insured or consumer; records
21	(1) All personal information specifically related to
22	bank account numbers, personal financial information, patient
23	records, and other individual personal health information made
24	or received by the Department of Insurance, which is contained
25	in public records, is exempt from the provisions of s.
26	119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution so
27	that the confidentiality of this specific personal information
28	concerning the insured or consumer is preserved. This
29	exemption is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act
30	in accordance with s. 119.15 and expires on October 1, 2006,
31	unless reviewed and reenacted by the Legislature.
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This section does not apply with respect to 1 (2) 2 records of an insured or other person who is the subject of a 3 criminal investigation and does not prevent the department 4 from referring such information to any local, state, or federal law enforcement authority. 5 Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public 6 7 necessity that personal information specifically relating to bank account numbers, personal financial information, patient 8 records, and other individual personal health information made 9 10 or received by the Department of Insurance be held confidential and exempt from public disclosure unless 11 12 otherwise provided for by law. The Legislature finds that this 13 exemption is needed to protect information that is of a sensitive personal nature that concerns individuals. Every 14 15 person has an expectation of and a right to privacy in all matters concerning his or her personal financial and medical 16 17 records. Matters of personal health are traditionally private 18 and confidential concerns between the patient and the health care provider. Personal financial information is likewise 19 20 traditionally confidential and protected from public examination. The private and confidential nature of personal 21 financial and health matters justifies the preservation of 22 these confidences, otherwise recognized by law, and should not 23 24 be opened up to public display because the records come into the possession of a public entity. For these reasons, the 25 individual's expectation of and right to privacy in all 26 27 matters regarding his or her personal health necessitates this exemption, and likewise, an individual's personal financial 28 29 situation is also of a sensitive personal nature and should be 30 confidential and exempt. Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a 31 2

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   And the title is amended as follows:
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   remove from the title of the bill: the entire title
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   and insert in lieu thereof:
                   A bill to be entitled
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          An act relating to public records; creating s.
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          627.3111, F.S.; providing an exemption from
          public-records requirements for specific
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          information related to financial or medical
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          records of insureds and consumers which are in
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          the possession of the Department of Insurance;
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          providing for future review and an expiration
          date; providing a finding of public necessity;
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          providing an effective date.
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