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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to public records; amending s.
98.0975, F.S.; providing that information
contained in the central voter file
administered by the Division of Elections of
the Department of State is privileged and
confidential; providing for future review and
repeal; providing a legislative finding of
public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (5) is added to section 98.0975,
Florida Statutes, to read:

98.0975 Central voter file; periodic list
maintenance.--

(5) The information contained in the central voter
file is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s.
24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This subsection is
subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995 in
accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand repealed October 2,
2006, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through
reenactment by the Legislature.

Section 2. The Legislature finds that the exemption
from public records requirements provided in section
98.0975(5), Florida Statutes, is a public necessity, and that
it would be an invasion of a person's privacy for personal,
sensitive information contained in the central voter file to
be publicly available.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Provides that information contained in the central voter file administered by the Division of Elections of the Department of State is privileged and confidential. Provides for future review and repeal of the exemption. Provides a legislative finding of public necessity.