HB 1281 2004 A bill to be entitled

An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements; providing for the confidentiality of personal identifying information contained in records of current or former county attorneys, assistant county attorneys, municipal attorneys, and assistant municipal attorneys responsible for prosecuting violations of local codes and ordinances, and the spouses and children of those attorneys; providing for review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (i) of subsection (3) of section 119.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

18 119.07 Inspection, examination, and duplication of records; exemptions.--

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(i)1. The home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, and photographs of active or former law enforcement personnel, including correctional and correctional probation officers, personnel of the Department of Children and Family Services whose duties include the investigation of abuse, neglect, exploitation, fraud, theft, or other criminal activities, personnel of the Department of Health whose duties are to support the investigation of child abuse or neglect, and personnel of the Department of Revenue or local governments

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57 58 whose responsibilities include revenue collection and enforcement or child support enforcement; the home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, photographs, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such personnel; and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of such personnel are exempt from the provisions of subsection (1). The home addresses, telephone numbers, and photographs of firefighters certified in compliance with s. 633.35; the home addresses, telephone numbers, photographs, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such firefighters; and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of such firefighters are exempt from subsection (1). The home addresses and telephone numbers of justices of the Supreme Court, district court of appeal judges, circuit court judges, and county court judges; the home addresses, telephone numbers, and places of employment of the spouses and children of justices and judges; and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of justices and judges are exempt from the provisions of subsection (1). The home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, and photographs of current or former state attorneys, assistant state attorneys, statewide prosecutors, or assistant statewide prosecutors; the home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, photographs, and places of employment of the spouses and children of current or former state attorneys, assistant state attorneys, statewide prosecutors, or assistant statewide prosecutors; and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of current or

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former state attorneys, assistant state attorneys, statewide prosecutors, or assistant statewide prosecutors are exempt from subsection (1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.

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- The home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, and photographs of current or former human resource, labor relations, or employee relations directors, assistant directors, managers, or assistant managers of any local government agency or water management district whose duties include hiring and firing employees, labor contract negotiation, administration, or other personnel-related duties; the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, photographs, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such personnel; and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of such personnel are exempt from subsection (1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This subparagraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995 in accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2006, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.
- 3. The home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, and photographs of current or former code enforcement officers; the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, photographs, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such persons; and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of such persons are exempt from subsection (1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This subparagraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995 in

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accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2006, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

- 4. The home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, and photographs of current or former county attorneys, assistant county attorneys, municipal attorneys, and assistant municipal attorneys responsible for prosecuting violations of local codes or ordinances; the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, photographs, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such persons; and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of such persons are exempt from subsection (1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This subparagraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995 in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2009, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.
- 5.4. An agency that is the custodian of the personal information specified in subparagraph 1., subparagraph 2., or subparagraph 4. and that is not the employer of the officer, employee, justice, judge, or other person specified in subparagraph 1., subparagraph 2., or subparagraph 3., or subparagraph 4. shall maintain the confidentiality of the personal information only if the officer, employee, justice, judge, other person, or employing agency of the designated employee submits a written request for confidentiality to the custodial agency.
- Section 2. The Legislature finds that the public records exemption created by this act is a public necessity in order to

ensure the safety of current or former county attorneys,
assistant county attorneys, municipal attorneys, and assistant
municipal attorneys responsible for prosecuting violations of
local codes or ordinances, and the families of these attorneys.

If this information concerning these attorneys or their family
members were made publicly available, the ability of persons who
desire to harm these attorneys or their families would be
increased. Attorneys prosecuting violations of local codes or
ordinances and their family members should not be subject to
harassment or potential harm from individuals alleged to have
violated such codes or ordinances. Consequently, the Legislature
finds that the public records exemption created by this act is a
public necessity.

Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2004.