

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to a public records exemption;  
 3           amending s. 119.07, F.S.; providing an  
 4           exemption from public records requirements for  
 5           information that would identify or help to  
 6           locate a child who participates in  
 7           government-sponsored recreation programs or  
 8           camps or the parents or guardians of such  
 9           child, including, but not limited to, the name,  
 10          home address, telephone number, social security  
 11          number, and photograph of such child, and the  
 12          names and locations of schools attended by such  
 13          child, and the names, home addresses, telephone  
 14          numbers, and social security numbers of the  
 15          parents or guardians of such child; providing  
 16          for disclosure of such information by court  
 17          order upon a showing of good cause; providing  
 18          for retroactive effect of the exemption;  
 19          providing for future review and repeal of the  
 20          exemption; providing a statement of public  
 21          necessity; providing an effective date.

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

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 25           Section 1. Paragraph (hh) is added to subsection (3)  
 26 of section 119.07, Florida Statutes, to read:

27           119.07 Inspection, examination, and duplication of  
 28 records; exemptions.--

29           (3)

30           (hh) Any information that would identify or help to  
 31 locate a child who participates in government-sponsored

1 recreation programs or camps or the parents or guardians of  
2 such child, including, but not limited to, the name, home  
3 address, telephone number, social security number, or  
4 photograph of the child and the names, home addresses, and  
5 social security numbers of parents or guardians of such child,  
6 is exempt from subsection (1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the  
7 State Constitution. Information made exempt pursuant to this  
8 paragraph may be disclosed by court order upon a showing of  
9 good cause. This exemption applies to records held before, on,  
10 or after the effective date of this exemption.

11 Section 2. Paragraph (hh) of subsection (3) of section  
12 119.07, Florida Statutes, is subject to the Open Government  
13 Sunset Review Act of 1995 in accordance with section 119.15,  
14 Florida Statutes, and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2009,  
15 unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by  
16 the Legislature.

17 Section 3. The Legislature finds that it is a public  
18 necessity that any information that would identify or help to  
19 locate a child who participates in government-sponsored  
20 recreation programs or camps or the parents or guardians of  
21 such child, including, but not limited to, the name, home  
22 address, telephone number, social security number, and  
23 photograph of such child, the names, home addresses, and  
24 social security numbers of the parents or guardians of such  
25 child, be held exempt from public records requirements because  
26 revealing such information could create the opportunity for  
27 stalking, harassment, abduction, or abuse of such children.  
28 Information that identifies a parent or guardian of such a  
29 child could be used indirectly to lead to the location of the  
30 child. As the public availability of this information could  
31 create the opportunity for stalking, harassment, abduction, or

1 abuse of these children, it would be contrary to the state's  
2 compelling interest in preserving the public safety to permit  
3 the release of such information. Protecting such personal  
4 information of these children and their parents or guardians  
5 helps to minimize the opportunity for stalking, harassment,  
6 abduction, or abuse and thus it is a public necessity that  
7 such information be held confidential and exempt from public  
8 records requirements.

9           Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
10 law.

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