Florida Senate - 2005

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11	The Committee on Ethics and Elections (Posey) recommended the
12	following amendment to amendment (792390):
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14	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
15	On page 3, line 15, through page 4, line 7, delete
16	those words
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18	and insert:
19	(2) The Legislature also finds it necessary to broaden
20	the existing exemption from public-records access to social
21	security numbers and telephone numbers of voters and voter
22	registration applicants to include drivers license numbers and
23	Florida identification numbers. The Legislature finds that
24	access to such information can lead to fraud, personal
25	identity theft, and invasion of privacy. The Florida Voter
26	Statewide Voter Registration System, once implemented and
27	maintained, will constitute one of the most comprehensive and
28	up-to-date databases of persons in this state. The Legislature
29	finds it not only necessary to exempt from copying social
30	security numbers, drivers license numbers, Florida
31	identification numbers, and telephone numbers of those persons
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1	in the Florida Voter Registration System but also to exempt
2	those numbers from inspection. Even the memorization of a
3	single person's social security number, driver's license
4	number, Florida identification number, or telephone number
5	could result in economic and personal harm to that individual
6	whose numbers may be used to perpetuate fraud or may be
7	coupled with other readily available public information to
8	commit personal identity theft or to gain access to records,
9	such as financial, educational, or medical records. The
10	Legislature also finds it necessary to keep the social
11	security numbers, driver's license numbers, Florida
12	identification numbers, and telephone numbers in the Florida
13	Voter Registration System confidential and exempt in order to
14	encourage voter registration and remove disincentives to
15	registering to vote.
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18	======= TITLE AMENDMENT==========
19	And the title is amended as follows:
20	On page 5, line 22, after the word "number,"
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22	insert:
23	drivers license numbers, Florida identification
24	numbers,
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