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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Altman moved the following:

**Senate Amendment**

Delete lines 53 - 71  
and insert:

Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public necessity that all complaints and related records in the custody of a county or municipality that has established a local investigatory process to enforce more stringent standards of conduct and disclosure requirements as provided in s. 112.326, Florida Statutes, which relate to a complaint of a local ethics violation be exempted from public-record and public-meeting requirements until the complaint is dismissed as legally insufficient, until the alleged violator requests in writing



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14 that such records and proceedings be made public, or until it is  
15 determined, based on the investigation, whether probable cause  
16 exists to believe that a violation has occurred. This exemption  
17 is necessary because the release of such information could  
18 potentially be defamatory to an individual under investigation,  
19 cause unwarranted damage to the good name or reputation of such  
20 individual, or significantly impair the investigation. The  
21 exemption creates a secure environment in which a county or  
22 municipality may conduct its investigation.