

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to public records; creating s. 341.3026,
 3 F.S.; providing an exemption from public records
 4 requirements for personal identifying information held by
 5 a public transit provider for the purpose of facilitating
 6 the prepayment of transit fares or the acquisition of a
 7 prepaid transit fare card or similar device; providing for
 8 future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a
 9 statement of public necessity; providing an effective
 10 date.

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

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 14 Section 1. Section 341.3026, Florida Statutes, is created
 15 to read:

16 341.3026 Public records exemption.—

17 (1) Personal identifying information held by a public
 18 transit provider, as defined in s. 341.031, for the purpose of
 19 facilitating the prepayment of transit fares or the acquisition
 20 of a prepaid transit fare card or similar device is exempt from
 21 s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.

22 (2) This section is subject to the Open Government Sunset
 23 Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed
 24 on October 2, 2015, unless reviewed and saved from repeal
 25 through reenactment by the Legislature.

26 Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public
 27 necessity to exempt from public records requirements personal
 28 identifying information held by a public transit provider for

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29 the purpose of facilitating the prepayment of transit fares or
30 the acquisition of a prepaid transit fare card or similar
31 device. The exemption puts individuals who choose a prepayment
32 option for transit fares on an equal footing with users of
33 public transit who pay their fares in cash. Allowing individuals
34 to use a prepaid transit fare card is a more efficient and
35 effective system for collecting transit fares, and not only
36 saves individuals time in accessing the transit system in
37 comparison with individuals who pay cash, but also costs
38 significantly less to administer. The effective and efficient
39 administration of the prepayment option for public transit
40 programs would be hindered without the exemption because
41 individuals would be less inclined to use this payment method if
42 their personal information were made available to the public.

43 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.