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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to a review under the Open Government
3	Sunset Review Act; amending s. 112.324, F.S., which
4	provides an exemption from public records requirements for
5	complaints and related records held by the Commission on
6	Ethics or a Commission on Ethics and Public Trust
7	established by a county or municipality and an exemption
8	from public meetings requirements for proceedings
9	conducted by such commissions pursuant to a complaint or
10	preliminary investigation; reorganizing the exemption;
11	removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing
12	an effective date.
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14	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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16	Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 112.324, Florida
17	Statutes, is amended to read:
18	112.324 Procedures on complaints of violations; public
19	records and meeting exemptions
20	(2)(a) The complaint and records relating to the complaint
21	or to any preliminary investigation held by the commission or
22	its agents or by a Commission on Ethics and Public Trust
23	established by any county defined in s. 125.011(1) or by any
24	municipality defined in s. 165.031 are confidential and exempt
25	from the provisions of s. $119.07(1)$ and s. $24(a)$, Art. I of the
26	State Constitution., and
27	(b) Any proceeding conducted by the commission or a
28	Commission on Ethics and Public Trust, pursuant to a complaint
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or preliminary investigation, is exempt from the provisions of s. 286.011, s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution, and s. 120.525.7

32 (c) The exemptions in paragraphs (a) and (b) apply until 33 the complaint is dismissed as legally insufficient, until the 34 alleged violator requests in writing that such records and 35 proceedings be made public, or until the commission or a Commission on Ethics and Public Trust determines, based on such 36 37 investigation, whether probable cause exists to believe that a 38 violation has occurred. In no event shall a complaint under this 39 part against a candidate in any general, special, or primary election be filed or any intention of filing such a complaint be 40 41 disclosed on the day of any such election or within the 5 days 42 immediately preceding the date of the election.

(b) Paragraph (a) is subject to the Open Government Sunset
Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed
on October 2, 2010, unless reviewed and saved from repeal
through reenactment by the Legislature.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2010.

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