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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE	ACTION
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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Government Operations

Subcommittee

Representative Pilon offered the following:

# Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 307-454 and insert:

Section 7. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 119.0714, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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119.0714 Court files; court records; official records.-

(2) COURT RECORDS.-

(a)<u>1.</u> Until January 1, 2012, if a social security number or a bank account, debit, charge, or credit card number is included in a court file, such number may be included as part of the court record available for public inspection and copying unless redaction is requested by the holder of such number or by the holder's attorney or legal guardian.

17 <u>2.(b)</u> A request for redaction must be a signed, legibly 18 written request specifying the case name, case number, document 19 heading, and page number. The request must be delivered by mail,

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facsimile, electronic transmission, or in person to the clerk of the court. The clerk of the court does not have a duty to inquire beyond the written request to verify the identity of a person requesting redaction.

24 <u>3.(c)</u> A fee may not be charged for the redaction of a 25 social security number or a bank account, debit, charge, or 26 credit card number pursuant to such request.

27 <u>4.(d)</u> The clerk of the court has no liability for the 28 inadvertent release of social security numbers, or bank account, 29 debit, charge, or credit card numbers, unknown to the clerk of 30 the court in court records filed on or before January 1, 2012.

31 <u>5.a.(e)1.</u> On January 1, 2012, and thereafter, the clerk of 32 the court must keep social security numbers confidential and 33 exempt as provided for in s. 119.071(5)(a), and bank account, 34 debit, charge, and credit card numbers exempt as provided for in 35 s. 119.071(5)(b), without any person having to request 36 redaction.

37 <u>b.2.</u> Section 119.071(5) (a) 7. and 8. does not apply to the
 38 clerks of the court with respect to court records.

39 (b) A request for maintenance of a public record exemption 40 in s. 119.071(4)(d)1. made pursuant to s. 119.071(4)(d)2. must 41 specify the document type, name, identification number, and page 42 number of the court record that contains the exempt information.

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(3) OFFICIAL RECORDS.-

(a)<u>1.</u> Any person who prepares or files a record for
recording in the official records as provided in chapter 28 may
not include in that record a social security number or a bank

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47 account, debit, charge, or credit card number unless otherwise48 expressly required by law.

49 <u>2.a.(b)1.</u> If a social security number or a bank account, 50 debit, charge, or credit card number is included in an official 51 record, such number may be made available as part of the 52 official records available for public inspection and copying 53 unless redaction is requested by the holder of such number or by 54 the holder's attorney or legal guardian.

<u>b.2.</u> If such record is in electronic format, on January 1,
2011, and thereafter, the county recorder must use his or her
best effort, as provided in paragraph (h), to keep social
security numbers confidential and exempt as provided for in s.
119.071(5)(a), and to keep complete bank account, debit, charge,
and credit card numbers exempt as provided for in s.
119.071(5)(b), without any person having to request redaction.

62 <u>c.3</u>. Section 119.071(5)(a)7. and 8. does not apply to the 63 county recorder with respect to official records.

3.(c) The holder of a social security number or a bank 64 65 account, debit, charge, or credit card number, or the holder's 66 attorney or legal guardian, may request that a county recorder redact from an image or copy of an official record placed on a 67 68 county recorder's publicly available Internet website or on a 69 publicly available Internet website used by a county recorder to 70 display public records, or otherwise made electronically 71 available to the public, his or her social security number or bank account, debit, charge, or credit card number contained in 72 that official record. 73

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74 4.(d) A request for redaction must be a signed, legibly 75 written request and must be delivered by mail, facsimile, 76 electronic transmission, or in person to the county recorder. 77 The request must specify the identification page number of the record that contains the number to be redacted. 78 79 5.(e) The county recorder does not have a duty to inquire 80 beyond the written request to verify the identity of a person 81 requesting redaction. 82 6.(f) A fee may not be charged for redacting a social 83 security number or a bank account, debit, charge, or credit card 84 number. 85 7.(q) A county recorder shall immediately and 86 conspicuously post signs throughout his or her offices for public viewing, and shall immediately and conspicuously post on 87 any Internet website or remote electronic site made available by 88 the county recorder and used for the ordering or display of 89 official records or images or copies of official records, a 90 notice stating, in substantially similar form, the following: 91 92 a.1. On or after October 1, 2002, any person preparing or 93 filing a record for recordation in the official records may not include a social security number or a bank account, debit, 94 95 charge, or credit card number in such document unless required 96 by law. 97 b.2. Any person has a right to request a county recorder to remove from an image or copy of an official record placed on 98 a county recorder's publicly available Internet website or on a 99 publicly available Internet website used by a county recorder to 100 101 display public records, or otherwise made electronically 836073 - amendmentPilon.docx

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Amendment No. 102 available to the general public, any social security number 103 contained in an official record. Such request must be made in 104 writing and delivered by mail, facsimile, or electronic 105 transmission, or delivered in person, to the county recorder. 106 The request must specify the identification page number that 107 contains the social security number to be redacted. A fee may not be charged for the redaction of a social security number 108 109 pursuant to such a request.

8.(h) If the county recorder accepts or stores official 110 records in an electronic format, the county recorder must use 111 112 his or her best efforts to redact all social security numbers and bank account, debit, charge, or credit card numbers from 113 114 electronic copies of the official record. The use of an automated program for redaction shall be deemed to be the best 115 effort in performing the redaction and shall be deemed in 116 compliance with the requirements of this subsection. 117

118 <u>9.(i)</u> The county recorder is not liable for the 119 inadvertent release of social security numbers, or bank account, 120 debit, charge, or credit card numbers, filed with the county 121 recorder.

(b) A request for maintenance of a public record exemption in s. 119.071(4)(d)1. made pursuant to s. 119.071(4)(d)2. must specify the document type, name, identification number, and page number of the official record that contains the exempt information.

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132	TITLE AMENDMENT
133	Remove line 19 and insert:
134	publication affidavits; amending s. 119.0714, F.S.;
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