

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Montford) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 523 and 524 insert:

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Section 12. Subsection (2) of section 985.045, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

985.045 Court records.

(2) The clerk shall keep all official records required by this section separate from other records of the circuit court, except those records pertaining to motor vehicle violations, which shall be forwarded to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. Except as provided in ss. 943.053 and



985.04(6)(b) and (7), official records required by this chapter are not open to inspection by the public, but may be inspected only upon order of the court by persons deemed by the court to have a proper interest therein, except that a child and the parents, guardians, or legal custodians of the child and their attorneys, law enforcement agencies, the Department of Juvenile Justice and its designees, the Parole Commission, the Department of Corrections, and the Justice Administrative Commission shall always have the right to inspect and copy any official record pertaining to the child. Public defender offices shall additionally have access to the juvenile records, including electronic records, of all juveniles scheduled for detention hearings. The court may permit authorized representatives of recognized organizations compiling statistics for proper purposes to inspect, and make abstracts from, official records under whatever conditions upon the use and disposition of such records the court may deem proper and may punish by contempt proceedings any violation of those conditions.

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> ======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========== And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 34

and insert:

to enforce judgment for costs and fines; amending s. 985.045, F.S.; providing that the office of the public defender shall have access to certain juvenile records; providing an