

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	_____	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	_____	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	_____	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	_____	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	_____	(Y/N)
OTHER		

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Healthy Families
2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Spano offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

7 Section 1. Subsection (5) is added to section 409.1678,
8 Florida Statutes, to read:

9 409.1678 Safe harbor for children who are victims of
10 sexual exploitation.—

11 (5) (a) Information held by an agency as defined in s.
12 119.011 about the location of safe houses and safe foster homes
13 is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art.
14 I of the State Constitution.

15 (b) Information about the location of safe houses and safe
16 foster homes may be provided to an agency, as defined in s.
17 119.011, as necessary to maintain health and safety standards

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18 and to address emergency situations in the safe house and safe
19 foster home.

20 (c) This subsection is subject to the Open Government
21 Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand
22 repealed on October 2, 2019, unless reviewed and saved from
23 repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

24 Section 2. (1) The Legislature finds that it is a public
25 necessity that information about the location of safe houses and
26 safe foster homes held by an agency, as defined in s. 119.011,
27 Florida Statutes, be made confidential and exempt from s.
28 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and s. 24(a), Article I of the
29 State Constitution. Safe houses and safe foster homes are
30 intended as refuges for sexually exploited victims from those
31 who exploited them. If the individuals who victimized these
32 people were able to learn the location of such safe houses, they
33 may attempt to contact their victims, exploit their
34 vulnerabilities, and return them to the situations in which they
35 were victimized. Even without the return of these victims to
36 their former situations, additional contact with those who
37 victimized them would have the effect of continuing their
38 victimization and inhibit their recoveries. Additionally,
39 knowledge about the location of safe houses and safe foster
40 homes could enable other individuals to locate and attempt to
41 victimize the residents. Therefore, it is the finding of the
42 Legislature that such information must be made confidential and
43 exempt from public disclosure.

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44 Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date
45 that HB 1017 or similar legislation relating to human
46 trafficking takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the
47 same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a
48 law.

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53 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

54 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:
55 An act relating to public records; amending s. 409.1678, F.S.;
56 providing exemptions from public records requirements for
57 information about the location of safe houses and safe foster
58 homes held by an agency; providing for future legislative review
59 and repeal of the exemptions; providing a statement of public
60 necessity; providing a contingent effective date.