

27 information program which is held by a county participating in
28 such program be made exempt from s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes,
29 and s. 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution. Nevertheless,
30 allowing participating counties to distribute yellow dot
31 folders, as well as allowing emergency medical responders and
32 law enforcement agents to access the information provided in
33 yellow dot folders, will ensure the most rapid and effective
34 treatment for victims of serious traffic accidents. If the
35 personal identifying information of a participant in such
36 program were not exempt from disclosure, any person could
37 inspect and copy documentation that identifies the program
38 participant. Consequently, the availability of such information
39 to the public would result in the invasion of the program
40 participant's privacy. Finally, protecting the personal
41 identifying information of a participant in such program
42 prevents the identification of program participants who could be
43 victimized by robbery, burglary, or illicit drug activities.
44 Accordingly, the Legislature finds that the harm to a program
45 participant which could result from the release of personal
46 identifying information of the participant outweighs any minimal
47 public benefit that would be derived from disclosure of that
48 information to the public. Therefore, it is the finding of the
49 Legislature that such identifying information must be made
50 exempt from public disclosure.

51 Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date
52 that HB 17 or similar legislation authorizing the governing body

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53 | of a county to create a yellow dot critical motorist medical
54 | information program takes effect, if such legislation is adopted
55 | in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and
56 | becomes a law.