

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Willhite offered the following:

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3 **Amendment to Amendment (007527) (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 4 and 5, insert:

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6 Section 1. Paragraph (o) is added to subsection (2) of
7 section 119.071, Florida Statutes, to read:

8 119.071 General exemptions from inspection or copying of
9 public records.—

10 (2) AGENCY INVESTIGATIONS.—

11 (o) The address of a victim of an incident of mass
12 violence is exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the
13 State Constitution. For purposes of this paragraph, the term

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14 "incident of mass violence" means an incident in which four or
15 more people, not including the perpetrator, are severely injured
16 or killed by an intentional and indiscriminate act of violence
17 of another. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "victim"
18 means a person killed or injured during an incident of mass
19 violence, not including the perpetrator. This paragraph is
20 subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance
21 with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2023,
22 unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the
23 Legislature.

24 Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public
25 necessity that the address of victims of an incident of mass
26 violence be made exempt from s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and
27 s. 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution. After an incident
28 of mass violence has occurred, victims of such an incident are
29 in a vulnerable state as they assist law enforcement with the
30 investigation of the incident and try to recover from the events
31 that occurred. In some instances, the victim may have been
32 killed or injured leaving their families to deal with the
33 aftermath of the crime. The public availability of such victim's
34 address may be used to locate the victim or the victim's family.
35 The availability of such information has allowed people to take
36 advantage of the victims or their families by subjecting the
37 victims or their families to media intrusions at their homes and
38 other unwelcome intrusions into their privacy. Therefore, it is

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39 | necessary that the address of victims of incidents of mass
40 | violence be protected to ensure that persons affected by such
41 | incidents are not harassed, taken advantage of, or otherwise
42 | subjected to additional pain and suffering.

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45 | **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

46 | Remove line 197 and insert:

47 | An act relating to public records; 119.071, F.S.; creating an
48 | exemption from public records requirements for the address of a
49 | victim of an incident of mass violence; providing definitions;
50 | providing for future legislative review and repeal of the
51 | exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; amending
52 | s.

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