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	CHAMBER ACTION
	<u>Senate</u> <u>House</u>
1	Representative Davis offered the following:
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3	Amendment
4	Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:
5	Section 1. Subsection (3) is added to section 286.0113,
6	Florida Statutes, to read:
7	286.0113 General exemptions from public meetings
8	(3) (a) That portion of a meeting held by a utility owned
9	or operated by a unit of local government which would reveal
10	information that is exempt under s. 119.0713(5) is exempt from
11	s. 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution. All
12	exempt portions of such a meeting must be recorded and
13	transcribed. The recording and transcript of the meeting are
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14	exempt from disclosure under s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I
15	of the State Constitution unless a court of competent
16	jurisdiction, following an in-camera review, determines that the
17	meeting was not restricted to the discussion of data and
18	information made exempt by this section. In the event of such a
19	judicial determination, only the portion of the recording or
20	transcript which reveals nonexempt data and information may be
21	disclosed to a third party.
22	(b) This subsection is subject to the Open Government
23	Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand
24	repealed on October 2, 2024, unless reviewed and saved from
25	repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.
26	Section 2. (1) The Legislature finds that it is a public
27	necessity that the portion of a meeting relating directly to or
28	that would reveal the following information, which is exempt
29	under s. 119.0713(5), Florida Statutes, be made exempt from s.
30	286.011, Florida Statutes, and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State
31	Constitution and that the recording and transcript of such a
32	meeting be made exempt from disclosure under s. 119.07(1) and s.
33	24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution:
34	(a) Information related to the security of the technology,
35	processes, or practices of the utility which are designed to
36	protect the utility's networks, computers, programs, and data
37	from attack, damage, or unauthorized access, and which
38	information, if disclosed, would facilitate the alteration,
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39	disclosure, or destruction of such data or information
40	technology resources.
41	(b) Information related to the security of existing or
42	proposed information technology systems or industrial control
43	technology systems of the utility, and which information, if
44	disclosed, would facilitate unauthorized access to and
45	alteration or destruction of such systems in a manner that would
46	adversely impact the safe and reliable operation of the systems
47	and utility.
48	(2) The Legislature finds that, as utility system
49	infrastructure becomes more connected and integrated through
50	information and communications technology, the exposure to
51	damage from attacks through such technology grows. These attacks
52	may result in the disruption of utility services and damage to
53	utility systems. Maintaining safe and reliable utility systems
54	is vital to protecting the public health and safety and to
55	ensuring the economic well-being of this state.
56	(3) The Legislature finds that the public and private harm
57	in disclosing the information made exempt by this act outweighs
58	any public benefit derived from the disclosure of such
59	information. The protection of information and communications
60	made exempt by this act will ensure that utilities have greater
61	safeguards to protect against security threats and will bolster
62	efforts to develop more resilient information technology systems
63	and industrial control technology systems.
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64	(4) Therefore, the Legislature finds that it is a public
65	necessity to make such information exempt from public meetings
66	requirements and to make the recording and transcript thereof
67	exempt from public records requirements.
68	Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.
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