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ACTION
(Y/N)

Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Civil Justice Subcommittee Representative Daley offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 305-414 and insert:

6 and photographs of current clerks of the circuit court, deputy 7 clerks of the circuit court, and clerk of the circuit court 8 personnel; the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, dates 9 of birth, and places of employment of the spouses and children 10 of current clerks of the circuit court, deputy clerks of the circuit court, and clerk of the circuit court personnel; and the 11 names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended 12 by the children of current clerks of the circuit court, deputy 13 clerks of the circuit court, and clerk of the circuit court 14 15 personnel are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This sub-subparagraph is subject to the 16 966405 - h0983-line 305.docx Published On: 1/17/2024 3:40:45 PM

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Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2029, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

3. An agency that is the custodian of the information 20 specified in subparagraph 2. and that is not the employer of the 21 22 officer, employee, justice, judge, or other person specified in 23 subparagraph 2. must maintain the exempt status of that 24 information only if the officer, employee, justice, judge, other 25 person, or employing agency of the designated employee submits a 26 written and notarized request for maintenance of the exemption 27 to the custodial agency. The request must state under oath the statutory basis for the individual's exemption request and 28 29 confirm the individual's status as a party eligible for exempt 30 status.

31 4.a. A county property appraiser, as defined in s. 32 192.001(3), or a county tax collector, as defined in s. 192.001(4), who receives a written and notarized request for 33 34 maintenance of the exemption pursuant to subparagraph 3. must 35 comply by removing the name of the individual with exempt status and the instrument number or Official Records book and page 36 37 number identifying the property with the exempt status from all publicly available records maintained by the property appraiser 38 39 or tax collector. For written requests received on or before July 1, 2021, a county property appraiser or county tax 40 collector must comply with this sub-subparagraph by October 1, 41 966405 - h0983-line 305.docx

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42 2021. A county property appraiser or county tax collector may 43 not remove the street address, legal description, or other 44 information identifying real property within the agency's 45 records so long as a name or personal information otherwise 46 exempt from inspection and copying pursuant to this section is 47 not associated with the property or otherwise displayed in the 48 public records of the agency.

b. Any information restricted from public display,
inspection, or copying under sub-subparagraph a. must be
provided to the individual whose information was removed.

An officer, an employee, a justice, a judge, or other 52 5. 53 person specified in subparagraph 2. may submit a written request 54 for the release of his or her exempt information to the 55 custodial agency. The written request must be notarized and must 56 specify the information to be released and the party authorized 57 to receive the information. Upon receipt of the written request, 58 the custodial agency must release the specified information to the party authorized to receive such information. 59

60 6. The exemptions in this paragraph apply to information
61 held by an agency before, on, or after the effective date of the
62 exemption.

7. Information made exempt under this paragraph may be
disclosed pursuant to s. 28.2221 to a title insurer authorized
pursuant to s. 624.401 and its affiliates as defined in s.
624.10; a title insurance agent or title insurance agency as

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defined in s. 626.841(1) or (2), respectively; or an attorney
duly admitted to practice law in this state and in good standing
with The Florida Bar.

70 8. The exempt status of a home address contained in the 71 Official Records is maintained only during the period when a 72 protected party resides at the dwelling location. Upon 73 conveyance of real property after October 1, 2021, and when such 74 real property no longer constitutes a protected party's home 75 address as defined in sub-subparagraph 1.a., the protected party must submit a written request to release the removed information 76 77 to the county recorder. The written request to release the 78 removed information must be notarized, must confirm that a 79 protected party's request for release is pursuant to a 80 conveyance of his or her dwelling location, and must specify the Official Records book and page, instrument number, or clerk's 81 82 file number for each document containing the information to be 83 released.

9. Upon the death of a protected party as verified by a 84 85 certified copy of a death certificate or court order, any party 86 can request the county recorder to release a protected 87 decedent's removed information unless there is a related request on file with the county recorder for continued removal of the 88 89 decedent's information or unless such removal is otherwise 90 prohibited by statute or by court order. The written request to 91 release the removed information upon the death of a protected 966405 - h0983-line 305.docx

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92 party must attach the certified copy of a death certificate or 93 court order and must be notarized, must confirm the request for 94 release is due to the death of a protected party, and must 95 specify the Official Records book and page number, instrument 96 number, or clerk's file number for each document containing the 97 information to be released. A fee may not be charged for the 98 release of any document pursuant to such request.

99 10. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this 100 paragraph, this paragraph is subject to the Open Government 101 Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand 102 repealed on October 2, 2024, unless reviewed and saved from 103 repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public 104 105 necessity that the home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of 106 birth, and photographs of current clerks of the circuit court, 107 deputy clerks of the circuit court, and clerk of the circuit 108 court personnel; the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, 109 dates of birth, and places of employment of the spouses and children of current clerks of the circuit court, deputy clerks 110 of the circuit court, and clerk of the circuit court personnel; 111 and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities 112 attended by the children of current clerks of the circuit court, 113 114 deputy clerks of

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