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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
03/19/2025	.	
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The Committee on Judiciary (Grall) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (m) is added to subsection (1) of
section 119.0714, Florida Statutes, to read:

119.0714 Court files; court records; official records.—

(1) COURT FILES.—Nothing in this chapter shall be construed
to exempt from s. 119.07(1) a public record that was made a part
of a court file and that is not specifically closed by order of
court, except:



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(m) Any matter in a pleading, a request for relief, or other document that has been stricken by the court in a noncriminal case pursuant to the rules of court if the court finds that such matter:

1. Is immaterial, impertinent, or sham; and
2. Would defame or cause unwarranted damage to the good name or reputation of an individual or jeopardize the safety of an individual.

Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public necessity that an immaterial, impertinent, or sham matter that would defame or cause unwarranted damage to the good name or reputation of an individual or jeopardize the safety of an individual, and that has been stricken by a court in a noncriminal case, be made confidential and exempt from s. 119.071(1), Florida Statutes, and s. 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution. The Legislature finds that such stricken matters, if they remain in the public record, cause unwarranted and ongoing harm to affected persons and serve no identifiable public purpose. The Legislature further finds that the harm that may result from the release of such stricken matters outweighs any public benefit that may be derived from the disclosure of the stricken matter.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====
And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause
and insert:

A bill to be entitled



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41 An act relating to public records; amending s.
42 119.0714, F.S.; providing an exemption from public
43 records requirements for a matter in a pleading, a
44 request for relief, or other document which has been
45 stricken by the court in a noncriminal case if the
46 court makes specific findings; providing a statement
47 of public necessity; providing an effective date.