

FOR CONSIDERATION By the Committee on Community Affairs

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to a review under the Open Government
3 Sunset Review Act; amending s. 119.071, F.S., which
4 provides an exemption from public records requirements
5 for property photographs and personal identifying
6 information of applicants for or participants in
7 certain federal, state, or local housing assistance
8 programs; deleting the scheduled repeal of the
9 exemption; providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. Paragraph (f) of subsection (5) of section
14 119.071, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

15 119.071 General exemptions from inspection or copying of
16 public records.—

17 (5) OTHER PERSONAL INFORMATION.—

18 (f)1. The following information held by the Department of
19 Commerce, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, a county, a
20 municipality, or a local housing finance agency is confidential
21 and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State
22 Constitution:

23 a. Medical history records and information related to
24 health or property insurance provided by an applicant for or a
25 participant in a federal, state, or local housing assistance
26 program.

27 b. Property photographs and personal identifying
28 information of an applicant for or a participant in a federal,
29 state, or local housing assistance program for the purpose of

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30 disaster recovery assistance for a presidentially declared
31 disaster.

32 2. Governmental entities or their agents shall have access
33 to such confidential and exempt records and information for the
34 purpose of auditing federal, state, or local housing programs or
35 housing assistance programs.

36 3. Such confidential and exempt records and information may
37 be used in any administrative or judicial proceeding, provided
38 such records are kept confidential and exempt unless otherwise
39 ordered by a court.

40 ~~4. Sub-subparagraph 1.b. is subject to the Open Government~~
41 ~~Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand~~
42 ~~repealed on October 2, 2025, unless reviewed and saved from~~
43 ~~repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.~~

44 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2025.