

HB 7005

2025

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 record requirements
5 for property photographs and personal identifying
6 information provided to specified entities for the
7 purpose of disaster recovery assistance; removing the
8 scheduled repeal date of the exemption; providing an
9 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
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
37 may be used in any administrative or judicial proceeding,
38 provided such records are kept confidential and exempt unless
39 otherwise 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42 ~~repealed on October 2, 2025, unless reviewed and saved from~~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.