

1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to public records; amending s.  
3       121.031, F.S.; providing an exemption from public  
4       record requirements for personal identifying  
5       information of members and payees in the Florida  
6       Retirement System Pension Plan and other state-  
7       administered systems; providing for future legislative  
8       review and appeal of such exemption; providing a  
9       statement of public necessity; providing an effective  
10      date.

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

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14       **Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 121.031, Florida**  
15      **Statutes, is amended to read:**

16       121.031 Administration of system; appropriation; oaths;  
17      actuarial studies; public records.—

18       (5) (a) Personal identifying information of a member or  
19      payee in the Florida Retirement System Pension Plan and any  
20      other state-administered retirement system administered and held  
21      by the division is ~~The names and addresses of retirees are~~  
22      ~~confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and~~  
23      s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. Such information may  
24      be disclosed to another ~~to the extent that no state or local~~  
25      governmental agency ~~may provide the names or addresses of such~~

~~persons in the furtherance of the aggregate, compiled, or list form to any person except to a public agency engaged in official duties and responsibilities of the division or state board without waiver of the exemption business. However, a state or local government agency may provide the names and addresses of retirees from that agency to a bargaining agent as defined in s. 447.203(12) or to a retiree organization for official business use. Lists of names or addresses of retirees may be exchanged by public agencies, but such lists shall not be provided to, or open for inspection by, the public. Any person may view or copy any individual's retirement records at the Department of Management Services, one record at a time, or may obtain information by a separate written request for a named individual for which information is desired.~~

(b) This subsection is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2031, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

(c) The public records exemption contained in this subsection applies to information held by the division before, on, or after July 1, 2025.

**Section 2.** The Legislature finds that it is a public necessity that all personal identifying information of members and payees in the Florida Retirement System Pension Plan and state-administered retirement systems administered and held by

51 the division be exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of  
52 the State Constitution because the release of sensitive  
53 information allows predatory individuals and organizations to  
54 take advantage of retirement plan members, and payees. Exempting  
55 this information allows the members, payees, and beneficiaries  
56 to invest funds without the pressure of individuals or  
57 organizations receiving personal identifying information without  
58 consent of the members and payees. Additionally, personal  
59 identifying information of investment plan members, who also  
60 participate in the Florida Retirement System, is protected and  
61 this exemption would provide uniform protection of records to  
62 all Florida Retirement System members, payees, and beneficiaries  
63 regardless of the retirement plan selected. For these reasons,  
64 the Legislature finds that it is a public necessity to exempt  
65 such information from public records requirements.

66       **Section 3.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.