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An act relating to public records; amending s. 943.03102, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain information relating to the designation of an organization as a domestic terrorist organization or a foreign terrorist organization by the Chief of Domestic Security; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (g) is added to subsection (2) of section 943.03102, Florida Statutes, as created by HB 1471, 2026 Regular Session, to read:

943.03102 Designation of terrorist organizations.—

(g) Any portion of the information provided under this subsection by the Chief of Domestic Security to the Governor and Cabinet which would reveal information critical to state or national security is exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2031, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

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26 Section 2. (1) Section 943.03102, Florida Statutes,
27 requires the Chief of Domestic Security to provide written
28 notice and findings to the Governor and Cabinet before
29 designating an organization as a domestic terrorist organization
30 or a foreign terrorist organization. To allow the chief to
31 fulfill his or her role in making such a designation, the chief
32 must consult with local, state, and federal law enforcement
33 agencies; counter-terrorism organizations; and national security
34 organizations and receive national and domestic security
35 information that is highly sensitive in nature. For purposes of
36 public safety, the Legislature intends to keep such information
37 exempt from disclosure.

38 (2) The Legislature finds that it is a public necessity
39 that any portion of information contained in the chief's written
40 notice and findings provided to the Governor and Cabinet before
41 designating an organization as a domestic terrorist organization
42 or a foreign terrorist organization which would reveal
43 information critical to state or national security be made
44 exempt from s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and s. 24(a),
45 Article I of the State Constitution.

46 Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date
47 that HB 1471 or similar legislation takes effect, if such
48 legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an
49 extension thereof and becomes a law.