

By Senator Grall

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to public records and meetings;
amending s. 943.03102, F.S.; providing an exemption
from public records requirements for certain
information held by the Chief of Domestic Security and
any information in a certain notification which would
reveal information critical to state or national
security; providing an exemption from public meetings
requirements for portions of meetings which would
reveal such exempt information; providing for future
legislative review and repeal of the exemptions;
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 (a) of subsection (2) of section
943.03102, Florida Statutes, as created by SB ____, 2026 Regular
Session, is amended to read:

943.03102 Designation of terrorist organizations.—

(2)(a)1. At least 7 days before making a designation under
subsection (1), the Chief of Domestic Security shall provide
written notice to the Cabinet of his or her intent to designate
an organization as a foreign terrorist organization or a
domestic terrorist organization, which notice must be
accompanied by written findings regarding the basis for such
designation.

2.a. Any information held by the Chief of Domestic Security
and any information in the notification by the Chief of Domestic

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Security to the 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.

b. Any portion of a meeting which would reveal information made exempt under sub-subparagraph a. is exempt from s. 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution.

c. This subparagraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2031, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

Section 2. (1) The Legislature finds that it is a public necessity that any information held by the Chief of Domestic Security and any information in the notification of the intent to designate an organization as a domestic terrorist organization or a foreign terrorist organization by the Chief of Domestic Security to the Cabinet which would reveal information critical to state or national security be made exempt from s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and s. 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution. Such information is critical for the security interests of this state and of the United States, and the release of such information could endanger or do irreparable harm to the interests of this state and of the United States.

(2) Further, the Legislature finds that it is a public necessity that any portion of a meeting which would reveal such information be made exempt from s. 286.011, Florida Statutes, and s. 24(b), Article I of the State Constitution for the same reasons.

(3) Consequently, the Legislature finds that it is a public necessity to exempt such information from public records and

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59 public meetings requirements to safeguard information critical
60 to state or national security and to safeguard the interests of
61 this state and of the United States.

62 Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date that
63 SB ____ or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation
64 is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension
65 thereof and becomes a law.