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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Commerce and Tourism (Truenow) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (1) is added to subsection (5) of
section 119.071, Florida Statutes, to read:

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

(5) OTHER PERSONAL INFORMATION.—

(1) The home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth,



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and photographs of current and former private investigators
licensed by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services;
the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth,
and places of employment of the spouses and children of current
and former private investigators licensed by the Department of
Agriculture and Consumer Services; and the names and locations
of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of
current and former private investigators licensed by the
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services are 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Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on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.

Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public
necessity that the home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of
birth, and photographs of current and former private
investigators licensed by the Department of Agriculture and
Consumer Services; the names, home addresses, telephone numbers,
dates of birth, and places of employment of the spouses and
children of current and former private investigators licensed by
the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; and the
names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended
by the children of current and former private investigators
licensed by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
be made exempt from s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and s.
24(a), Article I of the State Constitution. Private
investigators routinely engage in sensitive work that may
involve uncovering fraud, locating missing persons, or assisting



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in criminal and civil matters. In the course of their duties,
private investigators often interact with individuals who have
strong motives to retaliate or cause harm. Public access to a
private investigator's home address or personal information
could expose private investigators and their families to
threats, harassment, stalking, or physical violence. Protecting
this information does not diminish transparency or
accountability in government but instead balances the public's
right to access records with this state's compelling interest in
safeguarding the personal safety of those who provide critical
private investigative services. Therefore, exempting such
information from public records requirements is a reasonable and
necessary measure to ensure the security and privacy of private
investigators and their families while preserving the integrity
of this state's public records system.

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

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause
and insert:

A bill to be entitled
An act relating to public records; amending s.
119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public
records requirements for the personal identifying and
location information of current and former private
investigators licensed by the Department of
Agriculture and Consumer Services and the spouses and
children of such private investigators; providing for



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69 future legislative review and repeal of the exemption;
70 providing for retroactive application; providing a
71 statement of public necessity; providing an effective
72 date.