

1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Freedom of Information Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 7 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 140/7) (from Ch. 116, par. 207)

7 Sec. 7. Exemptions.

8 (1) When a request is made to inspect or copy a public  
9 record that contains information that is exempt from  
10 disclosure under this Section, but also contains information  
11 that is not exempt from disclosure, the public body may elect  
12 to redact the information that is exempt. The public body  
13 shall make the remaining information available for inspection  
14 and copying. Subject to this requirement, the following shall  
15 be exempt from inspection and copying:

16 (a) Information specifically prohibited from  
17 disclosure by federal or State law or rules and  
18 regulations implementing federal or State law.

19 (b) Private information, unless disclosure is required  
20 by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law,  
21 or a court order.

22 (b-5) Files, documents, and other data or databases  
23 maintained by one or more law enforcement agencies and

1 specifically designed to provide information to one or  
2 more law enforcement agencies regarding the physical or  
3 mental status of one or more individual subjects.

4 (c) Personal information contained within public  
5 records, the disclosure of which would constitute a  
6 clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless  
7 the disclosure is consented to in writing by the  
8 individual subjects of the information. "Unwarranted  
9 invasion of personal privacy" means the disclosure of  
10 information that is highly personal or objectionable to a  
11 reasonable person and in which the subject's right to  
12 privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in  
13 obtaining the information. The disclosure of information  
14 that bears on the public duties of public employees and  
15 officials shall not be considered an invasion of personal  
16 privacy.

17 (d) Records in the possession of any public body  
18 created in the course of administrative enforcement  
19 proceedings, and any law enforcement or correctional  
20 agency for law enforcement purposes, but only to the  
21 extent that disclosure would:

22 (i) interfere with pending or actually and  
23 reasonably contemplated law enforcement proceedings  
24 conducted by any law enforcement or correctional  
25 agency that is the recipient of the request;

26 (ii) interfere with active administrative

1 enforcement proceedings conducted by the public body  
2 that is the recipient of the request;

3 (iii) create a substantial likelihood that a  
4 person will be deprived of a fair trial or an impartial  
5 hearing;

6 (iv) unavoidably disclose the identity of a  
7 confidential source, confidential information  
8 furnished only by the confidential source, or persons  
9 who file complaints with or provide information to  
10 administrative, investigative, law enforcement, or  
11 penal agencies; except that the identities of  
12 witnesses to traffic accidents, traffic accident  
13 reports, and rescue reports shall be provided by  
14 agencies of local government, except when disclosure  
15 would interfere with an active criminal investigation  
16 conducted by the agency that is the recipient of the  
17 request;

18 (v) disclose unique or specialized investigative  
19 techniques other than those generally used and known  
20 or disclose internal documents of correctional  
21 agencies related to detection, observation or  
22 investigation of incidents of crime or misconduct, and  
23 disclosure would result in demonstrable harm to the  
24 agency or public body that is the recipient of the  
25 request;

26 (vi) endanger the life or physical safety of law

1 enforcement personnel or any other person; or  
2 (vii) obstruct an ongoing criminal investigation  
3 by the agency that is the recipient of the request.

4 (d-5) A law enforcement record created for law  
5 enforcement purposes and contained in a shared electronic  
6 record management system if the law enforcement agency  
7 that is the recipient of the request did not create the  
8 record, did not participate in or have a role in any of the  
9 events which are the subject of the record, and only has  
10 access to the record through the shared electronic record  
11 management system.

12 (d-6) Records contained in the Officer Professional  
13 Conduct Database under Section 9.2 of the Illinois Police  
14 Training Act, except to the extent authorized under that  
15 Section. This includes the documents supplied to the  
16 Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board from the  
17 Illinois State Police and Illinois State Police Merit  
18 Board.

19 (e) Records that relate to or affect the security of  
20 correctional institutions and detention facilities.

21 (e-5) Records requested by persons committed to the  
22 Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services  
23 Division of Mental Health, or a county jail if those  
24 materials are available in the library of the correctional  
25 institution or facility or jail where the inmate is  
26 confined.

1           (e-6) Records requested by persons committed to the  
2 Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services  
3 Division of Mental Health, or a county jail if those  
4 materials include records from staff members' personnel  
5 files, staff rosters, or other staffing assignment  
6 information.

7           (e-7) Records requested by persons committed to the  
8 Department of Corrections or Department of Human Services  
9 Division of Mental Health if those materials are available  
10 through an administrative request to the Department of  
11 Corrections or Department of Human Services Division of  
12 Mental Health.

13           (e-8) Records requested by a person committed to the  
14 Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services  
15 Division of Mental Health, or a county jail, the  
16 disclosure of which would result in the risk of harm to any  
17 person or the risk of an escape from a jail or correctional  
18 institution or facility.

19           (e-9) Records requested by a person in a county jail  
20 or committed to the Department of Corrections or  
21 Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health,  
22 containing personal information pertaining to the person's  
23 victim or the victim's family, including, but not limited  
24 to, a victim's home address, home telephone number, work  
25 or school address, work telephone number, social security  
26 number, or any other identifying information, except as

1           may be relevant to a requester's current or potential case  
2           or claim.

3           (e-10) Law enforcement records of other persons  
4           requested by a person committed to the Department of  
5           Corrections, Department of Human Services Division of  
6           Mental Health, or a county jail, including, but not  
7           limited to, arrest and booking records, mug shots, and  
8           crime scene photographs, except as these records may be  
9           relevant to the requester's current or potential case or  
10          claim.

11          (f) Preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations,  
12          memoranda, and other records in which opinions are  
13          expressed, or policies or actions are formulated, except  
14          that a specific record or relevant portion of a record  
15          shall not be exempt when the record is publicly cited and  
16          identified by the head of the public body. The exemption  
17          provided in this paragraph (f) extends to all those  
18          records of officers and agencies of the General Assembly  
19          that pertain to the preparation of legislative documents.

20          (g) Trade secrets and commercial or financial  
21          information obtained from a person or business where the  
22          trade secrets or commercial or financial information are  
23          furnished under a claim that they are proprietary,  
24          privileged, or confidential, and that disclosure of the  
25          trade secrets or commercial or financial information would  
26          cause competitive harm to the person or business, and only

1           insofar as the claim directly applies to the records  
2           requested.

3           The information included under this exemption includes  
4           all trade secrets and commercial or financial information  
5           obtained by a public body, including a public pension  
6           fund, from a private equity fund or a privately held  
7           company within the investment portfolio of a private  
8           equity fund as a result of either investing or evaluating  
9           a potential investment of public funds in a private equity  
10          fund. The exemption contained in this item does not apply  
11          to the aggregate financial performance information of a  
12          private equity fund, nor to the identity of the fund's  
13          managers or general partners. The exemption contained in  
14          this item does not apply to the identity of a privately  
15          held company within the investment portfolio of a private  
16          equity fund, unless the disclosure of the identity of a  
17          privately held company may cause competitive harm.

18          Nothing contained in this paragraph (g) shall be  
19          construed to prevent a person or business from consenting  
20          to disclosure.

21          (h) Proposals and bids for any contract, grant, or  
22          agreement, including information which if it were  
23          disclosed would frustrate procurement or give an advantage  
24          to any person proposing to enter into a contractor  
25          agreement with the body, until an award or final selection  
26          is made. Information prepared by or for the body in

1 preparation of a bid solicitation shall be exempt until an  
2 award or final selection is made.

3 (i) Valuable formulae, computer geographic systems,  
4 designs, drawings and research data obtained or produced  
5 by any public body when disclosure could reasonably be  
6 expected to produce private gain or public loss. The  
7 exemption for "computer geographic systems" provided in  
8 this paragraph (i) does not extend to requests made by  
9 news media as defined in Section 2 of this Act when the  
10 requested information is not otherwise exempt and the only  
11 purpose of the request is to access and disseminate  
12 information regarding the health, safety, welfare, or  
13 legal rights of the general public.

14 (j) The following information pertaining to  
15 educational matters:

16 (i) test questions, scoring keys, and other  
17 examination data used to administer an academic  
18 examination;

19 (ii) information received by a primary or  
20 secondary school, college, or university under its  
21 procedures for the evaluation of faculty members by  
22 their academic peers;

23 (iii) information concerning a school or  
24 university's adjudication of student disciplinary  
25 cases, but only to the extent that disclosure would  
26 unavoidably reveal the identity of the student; and



1           (iv) course materials or research materials used  
2           by faculty members.

3           (k) Architects' plans, engineers' technical  
4           submissions, and other construction related technical  
5           documents for projects not constructed or developed in  
6           whole or in part with public funds and the same for  
7           projects constructed or developed with public funds,  
8           including, but not limited to, power generating and  
9           distribution stations and other transmission and  
10          distribution facilities, water treatment facilities,  
11          airport facilities, sport stadiums, convention centers,  
12          and all government owned, operated, or occupied buildings,  
13          but only to the extent that disclosure would compromise  
14          security.

15          (l) Minutes of meetings of public bodies closed to the  
16          public as provided in the Open Meetings Act until the  
17          public body makes the minutes available to the public  
18          under Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act.

19          (m) Communications between a public body and an  
20          attorney or auditor representing the public body that  
21          would not be subject to discovery in litigation, and  
22          materials prepared or compiled by or for a public body in  
23          anticipation of a criminal, civil, or administrative  
24          proceeding upon the request of an attorney advising the  
25          public body, and materials prepared or compiled with  
26          respect to internal audits of public bodies.

1           (n) Records relating to a public body's adjudication  
2 of employee grievances or disciplinary cases; however,  
3 this exemption shall not extend to the final outcome of  
4 cases in which discipline is imposed.

5           (o) Administrative or technical information associated  
6 with automated data processing operations, including, but  
7 not limited to, software, operating protocols, computer  
8 program abstracts, file layouts, source listings, object  
9 modules, load modules, user guides, documentation  
10 pertaining to all logical and physical design of  
11 computerized systems, employee manuals, and any other  
12 information that, if disclosed, would jeopardize the  
13 security of the system or its data or the security of  
14 materials exempt under this Section.

15           (p) Records relating to collective negotiating matters  
16 between public bodies and their employees or  
17 representatives, except that any final contract or  
18 agreement shall be subject to inspection and copying.

19           (q) Test questions, scoring keys, and other  
20 examination data used to determine the qualifications of  
21 an applicant for a license or employment.

22           (r) The records, documents, and information relating  
23 to real estate purchase negotiations until those  
24 negotiations have been completed or otherwise terminated.  
25 With regard to a parcel involved in a pending or actually  
26 and reasonably contemplated eminent domain proceeding

1 under the Eminent Domain Act, records, documents, and  
2 information relating to that parcel shall be exempt except  
3 as may be allowed under discovery rules adopted by the  
4 Illinois Supreme Court. The records, documents, and  
5 information relating to a real estate sale shall be exempt  
6 until a sale is consummated.

7 (s) Any and all proprietary information and records  
8 related to the operation of an intergovernmental risk  
9 management association or self-insurance pool or jointly  
10 self-administered health and accident cooperative or pool.  
11 Insurance or self insurance (including any  
12 intergovernmental risk management association or self  
13 insurance pool) claims, loss or risk management  
14 information, records, data, advice or communications.

15 (t) Information contained in or related to  
16 examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by,  
17 on behalf of, or for the use of a public body responsible  
18 for the regulation or supervision of financial  
19 institutions, insurance companies, or pharmacy benefit  
20 managers, unless disclosure is otherwise required by State  
21 law.

22 (u) Information that would disclose or might lead to  
23 the disclosure of secret or confidential information,  
24 codes, algorithms, programs, or private keys intended to  
25 be used to create electronic signatures under the Uniform  
26 Electronic Transactions Act.

1           (v) Vulnerability assessments, security measures, and  
2           response policies or plans that are designed to identify,  
3           prevent, or respond to potential attacks upon a  
4           community's population or systems, facilities, or  
5           installations, the destruction or contamination of which  
6           would constitute a clear and present danger to the health  
7           or safety of the community, but only to the extent that  
8           disclosure could reasonably be expected to jeopardize the  
9           effectiveness of the measures or the safety of the  
10          personnel who implement them or the public. Information  
11          exempt under this item may include such things as details  
12          pertaining to the mobilization or deployment of personnel  
13          or equipment, to the operation of communication systems or  
14          protocols, or to tactical operations.

15          (w) (Blank).

16          (x) Maps and other records regarding the location or  
17          security of generation, transmission, distribution,  
18          storage, gathering, treatment, or switching facilities  
19          owned by a utility, by a power generator, or by the  
20          Illinois Power Agency.

21          (y) Information contained in or related to proposals,  
22          bids, or negotiations related to electric power  
23          procurement under Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power  
24          Agency Act and Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities  
25          Act that is determined to be confidential and proprietary  
26          by the Illinois Power Agency or by the Illinois Commerce

1 Commission.

2 (z) Information about students exempted from  
3 disclosure under Sections 10-20.38 or 34-18.29 of the  
4 School Code, and information about undergraduate students  
5 enrolled at an institution of higher education exempted  
6 from disclosure under Section 25 of the Illinois Credit  
7 Card Marketing Act of 2009.

8 (aa) Information the disclosure of which is exempted  
9 under the Viatical Settlements Act of 2009.

10 (bb) Records and information provided to a mortality  
11 review team and records maintained by a mortality review  
12 team appointed under the Department of Juvenile Justice  
13 Mortality Review Team Act.

14 (cc) Information regarding interments, entombments, or  
15 inurnments of human remains that are submitted to the  
16 Cemetery Oversight Database under the Cemetery Care Act or  
17 the Cemetery Oversight Act, whichever is applicable.

18 (dd) Correspondence and records (i) that may not be  
19 disclosed under Section 11-9 of the Illinois Public Aid  
20 Code or (ii) that pertain to appeals under Section 11-8 of  
21 the Illinois Public Aid Code.

22 (ee) The names, addresses, or other personal  
23 information of persons who are minors and are also  
24 participants and registrants in programs of park  
25 districts, forest preserve districts, conservation  
26 districts, recreation agencies, and special recreation

1 associations.

2 (ff) The names, addresses, or other personal  
3 information of participants and registrants in programs of  
4 park districts, forest preserve districts, conservation  
5 districts, recreation agencies, and special recreation  
6 associations where such programs are targeted primarily to  
7 minors.

8 (gg) Confidential information described in Section  
9 1-100 of the Illinois Independent Tax Tribunal Act of  
10 2012.

11 (hh) The report submitted to the State Board of  
12 Education by the School Security and Standards Task Force  
13 under item (8) of subsection (d) of Section 2-3.160 of the  
14 School Code and any information contained in that report.

15 (ii) Records requested by persons committed to or  
16 detained by the Department of Human Services under the  
17 Sexually Violent Persons Commitment Act or committed to  
18 the Department of Corrections under the Sexually Dangerous  
19 Persons Act if those materials: (i) are available in the  
20 library of the facility where the individual is confined;  
21 (ii) include records from staff members' personnel files,  
22 staff rosters, or other staffing assignment information;  
23 or (iii) are available through an administrative request  
24 to the Department of Human Services or the Department of  
25 Corrections.

26 (jj) Confidential information described in Section

1 5-535 of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois.

2 (kk) The public body's credit card numbers, debit card  
3 numbers, bank account numbers, Federal Employer  
4 Identification Number, security code numbers, passwords,  
5 and similar account information, the disclosure of which  
6 could result in identity theft or impression or defrauding  
7 of a governmental entity or a person.

8 (ll) Records concerning the work of the threat  
9 assessment team of a school district.

10 (mm) Records described in subsection (f) of Section  
11 3-5-1 of the Unified Code of Corrections.

12 (1.5) Any information exempt from disclosure under the  
13 Judicial Privacy Act shall be redacted from public records  
14 prior to disclosure under this Act.

15 (2) A public record that is not in the possession of a  
16 public body but is in the possession of a party with whom the  
17 agency has contracted to perform a governmental function on  
18 behalf of the public body, and that directly relates to the  
19 governmental function and is not otherwise exempt under this  
20 Act, shall be considered a public record of the public body,  
21 for purposes of this Act.

22 (3) This Section does not authorize withholding of  
23 information or limit the availability of records to the  
24 public, except as stated in this Section or otherwise provided  
25 in this Act.

26 (Source: P.A. 101-434, eff. 1-1-20; 101-452, eff. 1-1-20;

1 101-455, eff. 8-23-19; 101-652, eff. 1-1-22; 102-38, eff.  
2 6-25-21; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21; 102-694, eff. 1-7-22; revised  
3 2-3-22.)

4 Section 10. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by  
5 changing Section 3-5-1 as follows:

6 (730 ILCS 5/3-5-1) (from Ch. 38, par. 1003-5-1)

7 Sec. 3-5-1. Master Record File.

8 (a) The Department of Corrections and the Department of  
9 Juvenile Justice shall maintain a master record file on each  
10 person committed to it, which shall contain the following  
11 information:

12 (1) all information from the committing court;

13 (1.5) ethnic and racial background data collected in  
14 accordance with Section 4.5 of the Criminal Identification  
15 Act;

16 (2) reception summary;

17 (3) evaluation and assignment reports and  
18 recommendations;

19 (4) reports as to program assignment and progress;

20 (5) reports of disciplinary infractions and  
21 disposition, including tickets and Administrative Review  
22 Board action;

23 (6) any parole or aftercare release plan;

24 (7) any parole or aftercare release reports;



- 1 (8) the date and circumstances of final discharge;
- 2 (9) criminal history;
- 3 (10) current and past gang affiliations and ranks;
- 4 (11) information regarding associations and family
- 5 relationships;
- 6 (12) any grievances filed and responses to those
- 7 grievances; and
- 8 (13) other information that the respective Department
- 9 determines is relevant to the secure confinement and
- 10 rehabilitation of the committed person.

11 (b) All files shall be confidential and access shall be  
12 limited to authorized personnel of the respective Department.  
13 Personnel of other correctional, welfare or law enforcement  
14 agencies may have access to files under rules and regulations  
15 of the respective Department. The respective Department shall  
16 keep a record of all outside personnel who have access to  
17 files, the files reviewed, any file material copied, and the  
18 purpose of access. If the respective Department or the  
19 Prisoner Review Board makes a determination under this Code  
20 which affects the length of the period of confinement or  
21 commitment, the committed person and his counsel shall be  
22 advised of factual information relied upon by the respective  
23 Department or Board to make the determination, provided that  
24 the Department or Board shall not be required to advise a  
25 person committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice any  
26 such information which in the opinion of the Department of

1 Juvenile Justice or Board would be detrimental to his  
2 treatment or rehabilitation.

3 (c) The master file shall be maintained at a place  
4 convenient to its use by personnel of the respective  
5 Department in charge of the person. When custody of a person is  
6 transferred from the Department to another department or  
7 agency, a summary of the file shall be forwarded to the  
8 receiving agency with such other information required by law  
9 or requested by the agency under rules and regulations of the  
10 respective Department.

11 (d) The master file of a person no longer in the custody of  
12 the respective Department shall be placed on inactive status  
13 and its use shall be restricted subject to rules and  
14 regulations of the Department.

15 (e) All public agencies may make available to the  
16 respective Department on request any factual data not  
17 otherwise privileged as a matter of law in their possession in  
18 respect to individuals committed to the respective Department.

19 (f) A committed person may request a summary of the  
20 committed person's master record file once per year and the  
21 committed person's attorney may request one summary of the  
22 committed person's master record file once per year. The  
23 Department shall create a form for requesting this summary,  
24 and shall make that form available to committed persons and to  
25 the public on its website. Upon receipt of the request form,  
26 the Department shall provide the summary within 15 days. The

1 summary must contain, unless otherwise prohibited by law:

2 (1) the person's name, ethnic, racial, and other  
3 identifying information;

4 (2) all digitally available information from the  
5 committing court;

6 (3) all information in the Offender 360 system on the  
7 person's criminal history;

8 (4) the person's complete assignment history in the  
9 Department of Corrections;

10 (5) the person's disciplinary card;

11 (6) additional records about up to 3 specific  
12 disciplinary incidents as identified by the requester;

13 (7) any available records about up to 5 specific  
14 grievances filed by the person, as identified by the  
15 requester; and

16 (8) the records of all grievances filed on or after  
17 January 1, 2023.

18 Notwithstanding any provision of this subsection (f) to  
19 the contrary, a committed person's master record file is not  
20 subject to disclosure and copying under the Freedom of  
21 Information Act.

22 (Source: P.A. 97-696, eff. 6-22-12; 98-528, eff. 1-1-15;  
23 98-558, eff. 1-1-14; 98-756, eff. 7-16-14.)