

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2003 and 2004 HB4528

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 140/7 25 ILCS 130/10-2 from Ch. 116, par. 207 from Ch. 63, par. 1010-2

Amends the Legislative Commission Reorganization Act of 1984. Requires that the Legislative Research Unit post on the Internet the research and information it provides to a requesting legislator or legislative staff, without disclosing the identity of the requester. Requires that the Unit post, as soon as possible, such material provided during the 5 years before the bill's effective date. Amends the Freedom of Information Act to make conforming changes. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning the legislature.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Freedom of Information Act is amended by changing Section 7 as follows:
- 6 (5 ILCS 140/7) (from Ch. 116, par. 207)
- 7 Sec. 7. Exemptions.
- 8 (1) The following shall be exempt from inspection and copying:
  - (a) Information specifically prohibited from disclosure by federal or State law or rules and regulations adopted under federal or State law.
    - (b) Information that, if disclosed, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information. The disclosure of information that bears on the public duties of public employees and officials shall not be considered an invasion of personal privacy. Information exempted under this subsection (b) shall include but is not limited to:
      - (i) files and personal information maintained with respect to clients, patients, residents, students or other individuals receiving social, medical, educational, vocational, financial, supervisory or custodial care or services directly or indirectly from federal agencies or public bodies;
      - (ii) personnel files and personal information maintained with respect to employees, appointees or elected officials of any public body or applicants for those positions;
      - (iii) files and personal information maintained with respect to any applicant, registrant or licensee

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by any public body cooperating with or engaged in professional or occupational registration, licensure or discipline;

- (iv) information required of any taxpayer in connection with the assessment or collection of any tax unless disclosure is otherwise required by State statute; and
- (v) information revealing the identity of persons who file complaints with or provide information to administrative, investigative, law enforcement or penal agencies; provided, however, that identification of witnesses to traffic accidents, traffic accident reports, and rescue reports may be provided by agencies of local government, except in a case for which a criminal investigation is ongoing, without constituting a clearly unwarranted per se invasion of personal privacy under this subsection; and
- (vi) the names, addresses, or other personal information of participants and registrants in park district, forest preserve district, and conservation district programs.
- (c) Records compiled by any public body for administrative enforcement proceedings and any law enforcement or correctional agency for law enforcement purposes or for internal matters of a public body, but only to the extent that disclosure would:
  - (i) interfere with pending or actually and reasonably contemplated law enforcement proceedings conducted by any law enforcement or correctional agency;
  - (ii) interfere with pending administrative enforcement proceedings conducted by any public body;
  - (iii) deprive a person of a fair trial or an
    impartial hearing;
  - (iv) unavoidably disclose the identity of a confidential source or confidential information

1	furnished only by the confidential source;
2	(v) disclose unique or specialized investigative
3	techniques other than those generally used and known or
4	disclose internal documents of correctional agencies
5	related to detection, observation or investigation of
6	incidents of crime or misconduct;
7	(vi) constitute an invasion of personal privacy
8	under subsection (b) of this Section;
9	(vii) endanger the life or physical safety of law
10	enforcement personnel or any other person; or
11	(viii) obstruct an ongoing criminal investigation.
12	(d) Criminal history record information maintained by
13	State or local criminal justice agencies, except the
14	following which shall be open for public inspection and
15	copying:
16	(i) chronologically maintained arrest information,
17	such as traditional arrest logs or blotters;
18	(ii) the name of a person in the custody of a law
19	enforcement agency and the charges for which that
20	person is being held;
21	(iii) court records that are public;
22	(iv) records that are otherwise available under
23	State or local law; or
24	(v) records in which the requesting party is the
25	individual identified, except as provided under part
26	(vii) of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of this
27	Section.
28	"Criminal history record information" means data
29	identifiable to an individual and consisting of
30	descriptions or notations of arrests, detentions,
31	indictments, informations, pre-trial proceedings, trials,
32	or other formal events in the criminal justice system or
33	descriptions or notations of criminal charges (including
34	criminal violations of local municipal ordinances) and the
35	nature of any disposition arising therefrom, including

sentencing, court or correctional supervision,

- rehabilitation and release. The term does not apply to statistical records and reports in which individuals are not identified and from which their identities are not ascertainable, or to information that is for criminal investigative or intelligence purposes.
  - (e) Records that relate to or affect the security of correctional institutions and detention facilities.
  - memoranda and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions are formulated, except that a specific record or relevant portion of a record shall not be exempt when the record is publicly cited and identified by the head of the public body. The exemption provided in this paragraph (f) extends to all those records of officers and agencies of the General Assembly that pertain to the preparation of legislative documents, except for information that must be posted on the Internet by the Legislative Research Unit in accordance with Section 10-2 of the Legislative Commission Reorganization Act of 1984.
  - (g) Trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person or business where the trade secrets or information are proprietary, privileged or confidential, or where disclosure of the trade secrets or information may cause competitive harm, including all information determined to be confidential under Section 4002 of the Technology Advancement and Development Act. Nothing contained in this paragraph (g) shall be construed to prevent a person or business from consenting to disclosure.
  - (h) Proposals and bids for any contract, grant, or agreement, including information which if it were disclosed would frustrate procurement or give an advantage to any person proposing to enter into a contractor agreement with the body, until an award or final selection is made. Information prepared by or for the body in

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

- (i) Valuable formulae, computer geographic systems, designs, drawings and research data obtained or produced by any public body when disclosure could reasonably be expected to produce private gain or public loss. The exemption for "computer geographic systems" provided in this paragraph (i) does not extend to requests made by news media as defined in Section 2 of this Act when the requested information is not otherwise exempt and the only purpose of the request is to access and disseminate information regarding the health, safety, welfare, or legal rights of the general public.
- (j) Test questions, scoring keys and other examination data used to administer an academic examination or determined the qualifications of an applicant for a license or employment.
- (k) Architects' plans, engineers' technical submissions, and other construction related technical documents for projects not constructed or developed in whole or in part with public funds and the same for projects constructed or developed with public funds, but only to the extent that disclosure would compromise security, including but not limited to water treatment facilities, airport facilities, sport stadiums, convention centers, and all government owned, operated, or occupied buildings.
- (1) Library circulation and order records identifying library users with specific materials.
- (m) Minutes of meetings of public bodies closed to the public as provided in the Open Meetings Act until the public body makes the minutes available to the public under Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act.
- (n) Communications between a public body and an attorney or auditor representing the public body that would not be subject to discovery in litigation, and materials

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prepared or compiled by or for a public body in anticipation of a criminal, civil or administrative proceeding upon the request of an attorney advising the public body, and materials prepared or compiled with respect to internal audits of public bodies.

- (o) Information received by a primary or secondary school, college or university under its procedures for the evaluation of faculty members by their academic peers.
- (p) Administrative or technical information associated with automated data processing operations, including but not limited to software, operating protocols, computer program abstracts, file layouts, source listings, object modules, load modules, user guides, documentation pertaining to all logical and physical design of computerized systems, employee manuals, and any other information that, if disclosed, would jeopardize the security of the system or its data or the security of materials exempt under this Section.
- (q) Documents or materials relating to collective negotiating matters between public bodies and their employees or representatives, except that any final contract or agreement shall be subject to inspection and copying.
- (r) Drafts, notes, recommendations and memoranda pertaining to the financing and marketing transactions of the public body. The records of ownership, registration, transfer, and exchange of municipal debt obligations, and of persons to whom payment with respect to these obligations is made.
- (s) The records, documents and information relating to real estate purchase negotiations until those negotiations have been completed or otherwise terminated. With regard to a parcel involved in a pending or actually and reasonably contemplated eminent domain proceeding under Article VII of the Code of Civil Procedure, records, documents and information relating to that parcel shall be exempt except

as may be allowed under discovery rules adopted by the Illinois Supreme Court. The records, documents and information relating to a real estate sale shall be exempt until a sale is consummated.

- (t) Any and all proprietary information and records related to the operation of an intergovernmental risk management association or self-insurance pool or jointly self-administered health and accident cooperative or pool.
- (u) Information concerning a university's adjudication of student or employee grievance or disciplinary cases, to the extent that disclosure would reveal the identity of the student or employee and information concerning any public body's adjudication of student or employee grievances or disciplinary cases, except for the final outcome of the cases.
- (v) Course materials or research materials used by faculty members.
- (w) Information related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of a public body.
- (x) Information contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of a public body responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions or insurance companies, unless disclosure is otherwise required by State law.
- (y) Information the disclosure of which is restricted under Section 5-108 of the Public Utilities Act.
- (z) Manuals or instruction to staff that relate to establishment or collection of liability for any State tax or that relate to investigations by a public body to determine violation of any criminal law.
- (aa) Applications, related documents, and medical records received by the Experimental Organ Transplantation Procedures Board and any and all documents or other records prepared by the Experimental Organ Transplantation Procedures Board or its staff relating to applications it

1 has received.

- (bb) Insurance or self insurance (including any intergovernmental risk management association or self insurance pool) claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice or communications.
- (cc) Information and records held by the Department of Public Health and its authorized representatives relating to known or suspected cases of sexually transmissible disease or any information the disclosure of which is restricted under the Illinois Sexually Transmissible Disease Control Act.
- (dd) Information the disclosure of which is exempted under Section 30 of the Radon Industry Licensing Act.
- (ee) Firm performance evaluations under Section 55 of the Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Qualifications Based Selection Act.
- (ff) Security portions of system safety program plans, investigation reports, surveys, schedules, lists, data, or information compiled, collected, or prepared by or for the Regional Transportation Authority under Section 2.11 of the Regional Transportation Authority Act or the St. Clair County Transit District under the Bi-State Transit Safety Act.
- (gg) Information the disclosure of which is restricted and exempted under Section 50 of the Illinois Prepaid Tuition Act.
- (hh) Information the disclosure of which is exempted under Section 80 of the State Gift Ban Act.
- (ii) Beginning July 1, 1999, information that would disclose or might lead to the disclosure of secret or confidential information, codes, algorithms, programs, or private keys intended to be used to create electronic or digital signatures under the Electronic Commerce Security Act.
- (jj) Information contained in a local emergency energy plan submitted to a municipality in accordance with a local

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emergency energy plan ordinance that is adopted under Section 11-21.5-5 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

- (kk) Information and data concerning the distribution of surcharge moneys collected and remitted by wireless carriers under the Wireless Emergency Telephone Safety Act.
- (11) Vulnerability assessments, security measures, and response policies or plans that are designed to identify, prevent, or respond to potential attacks upon a community's population or systems, facilities, or installations, the destruction or contamination of which would constitute a clear and present danger to the health or safety of the community, but only to the extent that disclosure could reasonably be expected to jeopardize the effectiveness of the measures or the safety of the personnel who implement them or the public. Information exempt under this item may include such things as details pertaining to the mobilization or deployment of personnel or equipment, to the operation of communication systems or protocols, or to tactical operations.
- (mm) Maps and other records regarding the location or security of a utility's generation, transmission, distribution, storage, gathering, treatment, or switching facilities.
- (nn) (11) Law enforcement officer identification information or driver identification information compiled by a law enforcement agency or the Department of Transportation under Section 11-212 of the Illinois Vehicle Code.
- (00) (11) Records and information provided to a residential health care facility resident sexual assault and death review team or the Residential Health Care Facility Resident Sexual Assault and Death Review Teams Executive Council under the Residential Health Care Facility Resident Sexual Assault and Death Review Team Act.

This Section does not authorize withholding of

- 1 information or limit the availability of records to the public,
- 2 except as stated in this Section or otherwise provided in this
- 3 Act.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 92-16, eff. 6-28-01; 92-241, eff. 8-3-01; 92-281,
- 5 eff. 8-7-01; 92-645, eff. 7-11-02; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02; 93-43,
- 6 eff. 7-1-03; 93-209, eff. 7-18-03; 93-237, eff. 7-22-03;
- 7 93-325, eff. 7-23-03, 93-422, eff. 8-5-03; 93-577, eff.
- 8 8-21-03; revised 9-8-03.)
- 9 Section 10. The Legislative Commission Reorganization Act
- of 1984 is amended by changing Section 10-2 as follows:
- 11 (25 ILCS 130/10-2) (from Ch. 63, par. 1010-2)
- 12 Sec. 10-2. The Legislative Research Unit shall collect
- information concerning the government and general welfare of
- 14 the State, examine the effects of constitutional provisions and
- 15 previously enacted statutes, consider important issues of
- 16  $\,$  public policy and questions of state-wide interest, and perform
- 17 research and provide information as may be requested by the
- 18 members of the General Assembly or as the Joint Committee on
- 19 Legislative Support Services considers necessary or desirable.
- 20 At the time the Legislative Research Unit provides a General
- 21 <u>Assembly member or legislative staff with requested research or</u>
- 22 <u>information</u>, the Unit must post the same research and
- 23 <u>information on the Internet in searchable form, without</u>
- 24 <u>disclosing the identity of the requester. As soon as possible</u>
- 25 after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd
- 26 General Assembly, the Unit must post on the Internet in
- 27 <u>searchable form, without disclosing the identity of the</u>
- 28 <u>requester, research</u> and information provided at the request of
- 29 <u>a General Assembly member or legislative staff during the 5</u>
- years immediately before the effective date of this amendatory
- 31 Act of the 93rd General Assembly that the Unit has maintained
- 32 <u>as responses to individual requests.</u>
- The Legislative Research Unit shall maintain an up-to-date
- 34 computerized record of the information required to be reported

- 1 to it by Section 1 of "An Act concerning State boards and
- 2 commissions and amending a named Act", enacted by the 86th
- 3 General Assembly, which information shall be a public record
- 4 under the Freedom of Information Act. The Legislative Research
- 5 Unit may prescribe forms for making initial reports and reports
- of change under that Section, and may request information to
- 7 verify compliance with that Section.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 86-591.)
- 9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 10 becoming law.