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H.B. No. 2309

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the availability of dates of birth under the public information law.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 552, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 552.0223 to read as follows:

Sec. 552.0223. DATES OF BIRTH AVAILABLE IN CERTAIN RECORDS.

Notwithstanding Section 552.101 or any other law, a person's date of birth is not confidential and may not be withheld under this chapter if that information is contained in:

(1) a candidate's application for a place on the ballot that is required by the Election Code; or

(2) corrections or prosecutorial information, including information regarding an arrest, charge, indictment, conviction, order of deferred adjudication, or inmate record.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a request for information that is received by a governmental body or an officer for public information on or after the effective date of this Act. A request for information that was received before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the request was received, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.