

1-1 By: Perry S.B. No. 510
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 19, 2023; February 17, 2023,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce;
1-4 April 6, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; April 6, 2023,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	<u>Schwertner</u>	X		
1-10	<u>King</u>	X		
1-11	<u>Birdwell</u>	X		
1-12	<u>Campbell</u>	X		
1-13	<u>Creighton</u>	X		
1-14	<u>Johnson</u>	X		
1-15	<u>Kolkhorst</u>	X		
1-16	<u>Menéndez</u>	X		
1-17	<u>Middleton</u>	X		
1-18	<u>Nichols</u>	X		
1-19	<u>Zaffirini</u>	X		

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 510 By: King

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to the confidentiality of certain information maintained
1-24 by state licensing agencies.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. Section 552.1176, Government Code, is amended by
1-27 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (d) and (e) to read
1-28 as follows:

1-29 (a) Information maintained under Chapter 81 is confidential
1-30 and may not be disclosed to the public under this chapter if the
1-31 information:

1-32 (1) is a license application; or

1-33 (2) ~~[that]~~ relates to the home address, home telephone
1-34 number, electronic mail address, social security number, ~~[or]~~ date
1-35 of birth, driver's license number, state identification number,
1-36 passport number, emergency contact information, or payment
1-37 information of an individual ~~[a person]~~ licensed to practice law in
1-38 this state ~~[that is maintained under Chapter 81 is confidential and~~
1-39 ~~may not be disclosed to the public under this chapter if the person~~
1-40 ~~to whom the information relates:~~

1-41 ~~[(1) chooses to restrict public access to the~~
1-42 ~~information; and~~

1-43 ~~[(2) notifies the State Bar of Texas of the person's~~
1-44 ~~choice, in writing or electronically, on a form provided by the~~
1-45 ~~state bar].~~

1-46 (d) Subsection (a) does not make confidential or except from
1-47 required public disclosure the name, state bar identification
1-48 number, membership class, or eligibility to practice law of an
1-49 applicant for a license, a license holder, or an individual who
1-50 previously held a license.

1-51 (e) To the extent of any conflict, this section prevails
1-52 over another law that authorizes or requires the release of
1-53 information maintained by the State Bar of Texas.

1-54 SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 552, Government Code, is
1-55 amended by adding Section 552.11765 to read as follows:

1-56 Sec. 552.11765. CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION
1-57 MAINTAINED BY STATE LICENSING AUTHORITY. (a) In this section,
1-58 "license" means a license, certificate, registration, permit, or
1-59 other authorization that:

1-60 (1) is issued by a governmental body described by

2-1 Section 552.003(1)(A)(i); and
2-2 (2) an individual must obtain to practice or engage in
2-3 a particular business, occupation, or profession.
2-4 (b) Except as provided by Subsections (c) and (d),
2-5 information maintained by a governmental body described by Section
2-6 552.003(1)(A)(i) is confidential and excepted from the
2-7 requirements of Section 552.021 if the information:
2-8 (1) is a license application; or
2-9 (2) relates to the home address, home telephone
2-10 number, electronic mail address, social security number, date of
2-11 birth, driver's license number, state identification number,
2-12 passport number, emergency contact information, or payment
2-13 information of:
2-14 (A) an applicant for a license issued by the
2-15 governmental body;
2-16 (B) an individual who holds a license issued by
2-17 the governmental body; or
2-18 (C) an individual who previously held a license
2-19 issued by the governmental body.
2-20 (c) Subsection (b) does not make confidential or except from
2-21 required public disclosure the name, license number, or license
2-22 status of an applicant for a license, a license holder, or an
2-23 individual who previously held a license.
2-24 (d) Subsection (b) does not prohibit the disclosure of the
2-25 last four digits of the social security number of a license holder
2-26 issued a license under Chapter 42, 43, or 103, Human Resources Code,
2-27 or Chapter 142, 242, 247, 248A, 250, or 252, Health and Safety Code,
2-28 in connection with a verification of employability or an employee
2-29 misconduct registry search provided by the Health and Human
2-30 Services Commission.
2-31 (e) To the extent of any conflict, this section prevails
2-32 over another law that authorizes or requires the release of
2-33 information maintained by a governmental body.
2-34 SECTION 3. Section 552.1176(b), Government Code, is
2-35 repealed.
2-36 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
2-37 a request for public information received by a governmental body,
2-38 including the State Bar of Texas, or an officer for public
2-39 information on or after the effective date of this Act.
2-40 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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