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H.B. No. 2191

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the treatment of social security numbers under the  
3 public information law.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 552, Government Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 552.147 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 552.147. EXCEPTION: SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OF LIVING  
8 PERSON. (a) The social security number of a living person is  
9 excepted from the requirements of Section 552.021.

10 (b) A governmental body may redact the social security  
11 number of a living person from any information the governmental  
12 body discloses under Section 552.021 without the necessity of  
13 requesting a decision from the attorney general under Subchapter G.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.