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H.B. No. 2557

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the privacy of public employees under the Public
3 Information Act.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, is amended
6 by adding Subsection 552.102(c) to read as follows:

7 (c) Information is excepted from the requirements of
8 Section 552.021 if it is information in a personnel file relating to
9 the evaluation or assessment of an employee of a governmental body,
10 except that such evaluation or assessment of an employee is to be
11 made available to that employee or the employee's designated
12 representative as public information is made available under this
13 chapter. The exception to public disclosure created by this
14 subsection is in addition to any other exception covered by this
15 section. This subsection shall not apply to evaluations or
16 assessments of the administrative head of a governmental body or
17 any department or division head reporting to such individual.

18 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September
19 1, 2005.