

1-1 By: Wentworth S.B. No. 1068  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 23, 2009; March 13, 2009,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;  
1-4 April 27, 2009, reported favorably, by the following vote: Yeas 5,  
1-5 Nays 0; April 27, 2009, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to allowing a governmental body to redact certain personal  
1-9 information under the public information law without the necessity  
1-10 of requesting a decision from the attorney general.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subsection (c), Section 552.024, Government  
1-13 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-14 (c) If the employee or official or former employee or  
1-15 official chooses not to allow public access to the information:

1-16 (1) [ ] the information is protected under Subchapter  
1-17 C; and

1-18 (2) the governmental body may redact the information  
1-19 from any information the governmental body discloses under Section  
1-20 552.021 without the necessity of requesting a decision from the  
1-21 attorney general under Subchapter G.

1-22 SECTION 2. Section 552.1175, Government Code, is amended by  
1-23 adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

1-24 (f) A governmental body may redact information that must be  
1-25 withheld under Subsection (b) from any information the governmental  
1-26 body discloses under Section 552.021 without the necessity of  
1-27 requesting a decision from the attorney general under Subchapter G.

1-28 SECTION 3. Section 552.138, Government Code, is amended by  
1-29 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1-30 (c) A governmental body may redact information maintained  
1-31 by a family violence shelter center or sexual assault program that  
1-32 may be withheld under Subsection (b)(1) or (6) from any information  
1-33 the governmental body discloses under Section 552.021 without the  
1-34 necessity of requesting a decision from the attorney general under  
1-35 Subchapter G.

1-36 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-37 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-38 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-39 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-40 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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