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S.B. No. 2154

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the confidentiality of certain travel vouchers submitted by certain peace officers.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 660, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 660.2035 to read as follows:

Sec. 660.2035. CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN PEACE OFFICER VOUCHERS. (a) A voucher submitted or to be submitted under Section 660.027 is confidential and may not be disclosed under Chapter 552 if:

(1) the voucher is submitted or is to be submitted for payment or reimbursement of a travel expense incurred by a peace officer who is assigned to provide protection for an elected official of this state or a member of the elected official's family; and

(2) the travel expense was incurred by the peace officer in providing protection for the elected official or family.

(b) A state agency that submits a voucher described by Subsection (a) shall provide to a person, on request, a summary of the amounts paid or reimbursed by the comptroller in response to the voucher and a summary of any goods and services acquired for which a travel expense is claimed under the voucher.

SECTION 2. Section 660.2035, Government Code, as added by this Act, applies according to its terms in relation to travel

1 vouchers that have not been released before the effective date of  
2 this Act.

3           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
7 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.