

1-1 By: Huberty (Senate Sponsor - Deuell) H.B. No. 2961  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 2, 2013;  
 1-3 May 3, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Education; May 10, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote:  
 1-5 Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 10, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the social security numbers of school district  
 1-20 employees.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 552.024, Government Code, is amended by  
 1-23 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as  
 1-24 follows:

1-25 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (a-1), each ~~Each~~  
 1-26 employee or official of a governmental body and each former  
 1-27 employee or official of a governmental body shall choose whether to  
 1-28 allow public access to the information in the custody of the  
 1-29 governmental body that relates to the person's home address, home  
 1-30 telephone number, emergency contact information, or social  
 1-31 security number, or that reveals whether the person has family  
 1-32 members.

1-33 (a-1) A school district may not require an employee or  
 1-34 former employee of the district to choose whether to allow public  
 1-35 access to the employee's or former employee's social security  
 1-36 number.

1-37 SECTION 2. Section 552.147, Government Code, is amended by  
 1-38 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as  
 1-39 follows:

1-40 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (a-1), the ~~The~~ social  
 1-41 security number of a living person is excepted from the  
 1-42 requirements of Section 552.021, but is not confidential under this  
 1-43 section and this section does not make the social security number of  
 1-44 a living person confidential under another provision of this  
 1-45 chapter or other law.

1-46 (a-1) The social security number of an employee of a school  
 1-47 district in the custody of the district is confidential.

1-48 SECTION 3. Subchapter D, Chapter 11, Education Code, is  
 1-49 amended by adding Section 11.1514 to read as follows:

1-50 Sec. 11.1514. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS. The board of  
 1-51 trustees of an independent school district shall adopt a policy  
 1-52 prohibiting the use of the social security number of an employee of  
 1-53 the district as an employee identifier other than for tax purposes.

1-54 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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