

AN ACT

relating to access to certain confidential information provided in an application for an exemption from ad valorem taxation.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 11.48(a) and (b), Tax Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) A driver's license number, personal identification certificate number, or social security account number provided in an application for an exemption filed with a chief appraiser is confidential and not open to public inspection. The information may not be disclosed to anyone other than an employee or agent of the appraisal district [~~office~~] who appraises property or performs appraisal services for the appraisal district, except as authorized by Subsection (b).

(b) Information made confidential by this section may be disclosed:

(1) in a judicial or administrative proceeding pursuant to a lawful subpoena;

(2) to the person who filed the application or to the person's representative authorized in writing to receive the information;

(3) to the comptroller and the comptroller's employees authorized by the comptroller in writing to receive the information or to an assessor or a chief appraiser if requested in writing;

1 (4) in a judicial or administrative proceeding
2 relating to property taxation to which the person who filed the
3 application is a party; or

4 (5) if and to the extent the information is required to
5 be included in a public document or record that the appraisal
6 district [~~office~~] is required by law to prepare or maintain.

7 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3532 was passed by the House on May 15, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3532 was passed by the Senate on May 27, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor