SENATE AMENDMENTS

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By: Fletcher H.B. No. 2152

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the confidentiality of certain information concerning
3	service members of the state military forces.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 437, Government Code, is
6	amended by adding Section 437.232 to read as follows:
7	Sec. 437.232. CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION. (a)
8	Information that relates to the military service of a service
9	member ordered to state active duty, including the service member's
10	name, orders, and the location of the service member's deployment,
11	is confidential and not subject to Chapter 552 during the period the
12	service member remains ordered to state active duty.
13	(b) After a service member is relieved from duty,
14	information pertaining to the service member's state active duty is
15	public information and is not excepted from required disclosure
16	under Chapter 552, subject to state and federal laws governing
17	disclosure of military information.
18	SECTION 2. Section 552.117(a), Government Code, is amended
19	to read as follows:
20	(a) Information is excepted from the requirements of
21	Section 552.021 if it is information that relates to the home
22	address, home telephone number, emergency contact information, or

whether the person has family members:

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social security number of the following person or that reveals

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- 1 (1) a current or former official or employee of a
- 2 governmental body, except as otherwise provided by Section 552.024;
- 3 (2) a peace officer as defined by Article 2.12, Code of
- 4 Criminal Procedure, or a security officer commissioned under
- 5 Section 51.212, Education Code, regardless of whether the officer
- 6 complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175, as applicable;
- 7 (3) a current or former employee of the Texas
- 8 Department of Criminal Justice or of the predecessor in function of
- 9 the department or any division of the department, regardless of
- 10 whether the current or former employee complies with Section
- 11 552.1175;
- 12 (4) a peace officer as defined by Article 2.12, Code of
- 13 Criminal Procedure, or other law, a reserve law enforcement
- 14 officer, a commissioned deputy game warden, or a corrections
- 15 officer in a municipal, county, or state penal institution in this
- 16 state who was killed in the line of duty, regardless of whether the
- 17 deceased complied with Section 552.024 or 552.1175;
- 18 (5) a commissioned security officer as defined by
- 19 Section 1702.002, Occupations Code, regardless of whether the
- 20 officer complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175, as applicable;
- 21 (6) an officer or employee of a community supervision
- 22 and corrections department established under Chapter 76 who
- 23 performs a duty described by Section 76.004(b), regardless of
- 24 whether the officer or employee complies with Section 552.024 or
- 25 552.1175;
- 26 (7) a current or former employee of the office of the
- 27 attorney general who is or was assigned to a division of that office

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- 1 the duties of which involve law enforcement, regardless of whether
- 2 the current or former employee complies with Section 552.024 or
- 3 552.1175;
- 4 (8) a current or former employee of the Texas Juvenile
- 5 Justice Department or of the predecessors in function of the
- 6 department, regardless of whether the current or former employee
- 7 complies with Section 552.1175;
- 8 (9) a juvenile probation or supervision officer
- 9 certified by the Texas Juvenile Justice Department, or the
- 10 predecessors in function of the department, under Title 12, Human
- 11 Resources Code; [or]
- 12 (10) employees of a juvenile justice program or
- 13 facility, as those terms are defined by Section 261.405, Family
- 14 Code; or
- 15 (11) a current or former member of the Texas military
- 16 forces, as that term is defined by Section 437.001.
- 17 SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
- 18 a request for information that is received by a governmental body or
- 19 an officer for public information on or after the effective date of
- 20 this Act. A request for information that was received before the
- 21 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the
- 22 date the request was received, and the former law is continued in
- 23 effect for that purpose.
- SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

ADOPTED

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- information" means a service member's name, home address, rank, 9
- official title, pay rate or grade, state active duty orders, 10
- deployment locations, military duty addresses, awards and 11
- decorations, length of military service, and medical records. 12
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FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 15, 2015

TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2152 by Fletcher (Relating to the confidentiality of certain information concerning

service members of the state military forces.), As Passed 2nd House

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to specify that military personnel information such as name, rank, pay rate or grade, or other specified information is confidential and not subject to disclosure.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 401 Military Department

LBB Staff: UP, SD, RCa, FR, AI

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 7, 2015

TO: Honorable Donna Campbell, Chair, Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2152 by Fletcher (Relating to the confidentiality of certain information concerning service members of the state military forces.), Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

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The bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

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FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 1, 2015

TO: Honorable Donna Campbell, Chair, Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2152 by Fletcher (Relating to the confidentiality of certain information concerning service members of the state military forces.), As Engrossed

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to specify that information related to a service member's participation on state active duty is confidential; however, after relieved from duty this information may be publicly released. A service member's personal information would not be released.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 401 Military Department

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FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 23, 2015

TO: Honorable Susan Lewis King, Chair, House Committee on Defense & Veterans' Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2152 by Fletcher (Relating to the confidentiality of certain information concerning service members of the state military forces.), As Introduced

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The bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

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No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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LBB Staff: UP, FR, AI, RCa

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT STATEMENT

84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 4, 2015

TO: Honorable Donna Campbell, Chair, Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2152 by Fletcher (Relating to the confidentiality of certain information concerning service members of the state military forces.), As Engrossed

As a result of this bill there will be a restriction upon the open records law and the access to government information.

The bill would exempt certain information that relates to the military service of a service member from Chapter 552, Government Code during the period the service member remains ordered to state active duty.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: UP, SD, KVe