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H.B. No. 1861

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1   AN ACT

2   relating to the confidentiality of certain information related to a

3   computer security incident.

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

5   SECTION 1.   Section 552.139(b), Government Code, is amended

6   to read as follows:

7   (b)   The following information is confidential:

8   (1)   a computer network vulnerability report;

9   (2)   any other assessment of the extent to which data

10 processing operations, a computer, a computer program, network,

11 system, or system interface, or software of a governmental body or

12 of a contractor of a governmental body is vulnerable to

13 unauthorized access or harm, including an assessment of the extent

14 to which the governmental body's or contractor's electronically

15 stored information containing sensitive or critical information is

16 vulnerable to alteration, damage, erasure, or inappropriate use;

17 [and]

18   (3)   a photocopy or other copy of an identification

19 badge issued to an official or employee of a governmental body; and

20   (4)   information collected, assembled, or maintained

21 by or for a governmental body to prevent, detect, or investigate a

22 computer security incident, including a breach of system security

23 as defined by Section 521.053, Business & Commerce Code.

24   SECTION 2.   The change in law made by this Act applies only

1   to a request for public information received on or after the
2   effective date of this Act. A request received before the effective
3   date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the request
4   was received, and the former law is continued in effect for that
5   purpose.

6   SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
7   a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
8   provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
9   Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.