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H.B. No. 81

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the disclosure under the public information law of  
3 certain information related to parades, concerts, or other  
4 entertainment events open to the general public that are paid for  
5 with public funds.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 552.104, Government Code, is amended by  
8 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c) to read as  
9 follows:

10 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c), the [The]  
11 requirement of Section 552.022 that a category of information  
12 listed under Section 552.022(a) is public information and not  
13 excepted from required disclosure under this chapter unless  
14 expressly confidential under law does not apply to information that  
15 is excepted from required disclosure under this section.

16 (c) Subsection (b) does not apply to information described  
17 by Section 552.022(a) relating to the receipt or expenditure of  
18 public or other funds by a governmental body for a parade, concert,  
19 or other entertainment event paid for in whole or part with public  
20 funds. A person, including a governmental body, may not include a  
21 provision in a contract related to an event described by this  
22 subsection that prohibits or would otherwise prevent the disclosure  
23 of information described by this subsection. A contract provision  
24 that violates this subsection is void.

1           SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
2 to:

3                   (1) a request for information that is received by a  
4 governmental body or an officer for public information on or after  
5 the effective date of this Act; and

6                   (2) a contract entered into or renewed on or after the  
7 effective date of this Act.

8           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
9 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
10 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
11 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
12 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.