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H.B. No. 3631

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the confidentiality of the e-mail address of an
3 applicant for or holder of a license issued by a state agency.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 552.137(c), Government Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (c) Subsection (a) does not apply to an e-mail address:

8 (1) provided to a governmental body by a person who has
9 a contractual relationship with the governmental body or by the
10 contractor's agent;

11 (2) provided to a governmental body by a vendor who
12 seeks to contract with the governmental body or by the vendor's
13 agent;

14 (3) contained in a response to a request for bids or
15 proposals, contained in a response to similar invitations
16 soliciting offers or information relating to a potential contract,
17 or provided to a governmental body in the course of negotiating the
18 terms of a contract or potential contract;

19 (4) provided to a governmental body on a letterhead,
20 coversheet, printed document, or other document made available to
21 the public; ~~or~~

22 (5) provided to a governmental body for the purpose of
23 providing public comment on or receiving notices related to an
24 application for a license as defined by Section 2001.003(2) of this

1 code, or receiving orders or decisions from a governmental body; or
2 (6) provided to a governmental body by an applicant
3 for or holder of a license issued by a state agency, as those terms
4 are defined by Section 57.001, Occupations Code.

5 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
6 to a request for information that is received by a governmental body
7 or an officer for public information on or after the effective date
8 of this Act. A request for information that was received before the
9 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the
10 date the request was received, and the former law is continued in
11 effect for that purpose.

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