By:  Turner of Dallas (Senate Sponsor - Kolkhorst) H.B. No. 4158

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 10, 2021; May 10, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human Services; May 20, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 20, 2021, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                 Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Kolkhorst         X

Perry             X

Blanco            X

Buckingham        X

Campbell          X

Hall                       X

Miles             X

Powell            X

Seliger           X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the dissemination of confidential information contained in the juvenile justice information system.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 58.106(a), Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  Except as otherwise provided by this section, information contained in the juvenile justice information system is confidential information for the use of the department and may not be disseminated by the department except:

(1)  with the permission of the juvenile offender, to military personnel of this state or the United States;

(2)  to a criminal justice agency as defined by Section 411.082, Government Code;

(3)  to a noncriminal justice agency authorized by federal statute or federal executive order to receive juvenile justice record information;

(4)  to a juvenile justice agency;

(5)  to the Texas Juvenile Justice Department;

(6)  to the office of independent ombudsman of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department;

(7)  to a district, county, justice, or municipal court exercising jurisdiction over a juvenile; and

(8)  to the Department of Family and Protective Services or the Health and Human Services Commission as provided by Section 411.114, Government Code.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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