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H.B. No. 3256

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the confidentiality of a public school teacher's or
3 principal's home or residence address in certain government records
4 and documents.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 25.025(a), Tax Code, as amended by
7 Chapters 467 (H.B. 4170), 469 (H.B. 4173), 633 (S.B. 1494), 1213
8 (S.B. 662), and 1245 (H.B. 2446), Acts of the 86th Legislature,
9 Regular Session, 2019, is reenacted and amended to read as follows:

10 (a) This section applies only to:

11 (1) a current or former peace officer as defined by
12 Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, and the spouse or
13 surviving spouse of the peace officer;

14 (2) the adult child of a current peace officer as
15 defined by Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure;

16 (3) a county jailer as defined by Section 1701.001,
17 Occupations Code;

18 (4) an employee of the Texas Department of Criminal
19 Justice;

20 (5) a commissioned security officer as defined by
21 Section 1702.002, Occupations Code;

22 (6) an individual who shows that the individual, the
23 individual's child, or another person in the individual's household
24 is a victim of family violence as defined by Section 71.004, Family

1 Code, by providing:

2 (A) a copy of a protective order issued under
3 Chapter 85, Family Code, or a magistrate's order for emergency
4 protection issued under Article 17.292, Code of Criminal Procedure;
5 or

6 (B) other independent documentary evidence
7 necessary to show that the individual, the individual's child, or
8 another person in the individual's household is a victim of family
9 violence;

10 (7) an individual who shows that the individual, the
11 individual's child, or another person in the individual's household
12 is a victim of sexual assault or abuse, stalking, or trafficking of
13 persons by providing:

14 (A) a copy of a protective order issued under
15 Subchapter A or B, Chapter 7B, Code of Criminal Procedure, or a
16 magistrate's order for emergency protection issued under Article
17 17.292, Code of Criminal Procedure; or

18 (B) other independent documentary evidence
19 necessary to show that the individual, the individual's child, or
20 another person in the individual's household is a victim of sexual
21 assault or abuse, stalking, or trafficking of persons;

22 (8) a participant in the address confidentiality
23 program administered by the attorney general under Subchapter B,
24 Chapter 58, Code of Criminal Procedure, who provides proof of
25 certification under Article 58.059, Code of Criminal Procedure;

26 (9) a federal judge, a state judge, or the spouse of a
27 federal judge or state judge;

1 (10) a current or former district attorney, criminal
2 district attorney, or county or municipal attorney whose
3 jurisdiction includes any criminal law or child protective services
4 matters;

5 (11) a current or former employee of a district
6 attorney, criminal district attorney, or county or municipal
7 attorney whose jurisdiction includes any criminal law or child
8 protective services matters;

9 (12) an officer or employee of a community supervision
10 and corrections department established under Chapter 76,
11 Government Code, who performs a duty described by Section 76.004(b)
12 of that code;

13 (13) a criminal investigator of the United States as
14 described by Article 2.122(a), Code of Criminal Procedure;

15 (14) a police officer or inspector of the United
16 States Federal Protective Service;

17 (15) a current or former United States attorney or
18 assistant United States attorney and the spouse and child of the
19 attorney;

20 (16) a current or former employee of the office of the
21 attorney general who is or was assigned to a division of that office
22 the duties of which involve law enforcement;

23 (17) a medical examiner or person who performs
24 forensic analysis or testing who is employed by this state or one or
25 more political subdivisions of this state;

26 (18) a current or former member of the United States
27 armed forces who has served in an area that the president of the

1 United States by executive order designates for purposes of 26
2 U.S.C. Section 112 as an area in which armed forces of the United
3 States are or have engaged in combat;

4 (19) a current or former employee of the Texas
5 Juvenile Justice Department or of the predecessors in function of
6 the department;

7 (20) a current or former juvenile probation or
8 supervision officer certified by the Texas Juvenile Justice
9 Department, or the predecessors in function of the department,
10 under Title 12, Human Resources Code;

11 (21) a current or former employee of a juvenile
12 justice program or facility, as those terms are defined by Section
13 [261.405](#), Family Code;

14 (22) a current or former employee of the Texas Civil
15 Commitment Office or the predecessor in function of the office or a
16 division of the office; ~~and~~

17 (23) a current or former employee of a federal judge or
18 state judge;

19 (24) a current or former child protective services
20 caseworker, adult protective services caseworker, or investigator
21 for the Department of Family and Protective Services or a current or
22 former employee of a department contractor performing child
23 protective services caseworker, adult protective services
24 caseworker, or investigator functions for the contractor on behalf
25 of the department; ~~and~~

26 (25) ~~(24)~~ a state officer elected statewide or a
27 member of the legislature;

1 (26) [~~(24)~~] a firefighter or volunteer firefighter or
2 emergency medical services personnel as defined by Section 773.003,
3 Health and Safety Code; and
4 (27) a teacher or principal employed by a public
5 school.

6 SECTION 2. Section 521.121, Transportation Code, is amended
7 by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

8 (d) The department shall establish a procedure, on a showing
9 of a license holder's employment as a teacher or principal at a
10 public school, to omit the residence address of the license holder
11 on the license holder's license and to include, in lieu of that
12 address, the street address of the public school.

13 SECTION 3. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
14 over another Act of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021,
15 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
16 codes.

17 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.