

**House Bill 2357**  
Senate Amendments  
Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

No equivalent provision.

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 552, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 552.1315 to read as follows:  
Sec. 552.1315. EXCEPTION: CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN CRIME VICTIM RECORDS. (a) Information is confidential and excepted from the requirements of Section 552.021 if the information identifies an individual as:  
(1) a victim of:  
(A) an offense under Section 20A.02, 20A.03, 21.02, 21.11, 22.011, 22.021, 43.05, or 43.25, Penal Code; or  
(B) an offense that is part of the same criminal episode, as defined by Section 3.01, Penal Code, as an offense described by Paragraph (A); or  
(2) a victim of any criminal offense, if the victim was younger than 18 years of age when any element of the offense was committed.  
(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), information under this section may be disclosed:

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SECTION \_\_. Section 11, Article 49.25, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:  
(c) The medical examiner may release a copy of an autopsy report of a deceased person to any organ and tissue procurement organization, hospital, or other covered entity as defined by Section 181.001, Health and Safety Code, that treated the deceased person before death or procured any anatomical gift from the body of the deceased person. The release of a report under this subsection is not considered a disclosure under Chapter 552, Government Code. A report obtained under this subsection is confidential and not subject to disclosure under Chapter 552, Government Code. [FA1]

SECTION 1. Same as House version.

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(1) to any victim identified by the information, or to the parent or guardian of a victim described by Subsection (a)(2) who is identified by the information;  
(2) to a law enforcement agency for investigative purposes; or  
(3) in accordance with a court order requiring the disclosure.

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

SECTION 3. 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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SECTION 2. Same as House version.

SECTION 3. Same as House version.

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