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H.B. No. 1765

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the redaction of certain information from a document  
3 posted on the Internet by a county clerk or district clerk on  
4 request of a person to whom the information relates.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 552.117, Government Code, is amended by  
7 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as  
8 follows:

9 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (b-1), all ~~[All]~~  
10 documents filed with a county clerk and all documents filed with a  
11 district clerk are exempt from this section.

12 (b-1) A county clerk or district clerk shall on request of a  
13 person to whom this section applies redact information described by  
14 Subsection (a) from a document posted by the clerk on an Internet  
15 website that relates to the person making the request if the clerk  
16 has the ability to electronically redact the information from the  
17 posted document.

18 SECTION 2. Section 552.1175, Government Code, is amended by  
19 amending Subsection (e) and adding Subsection (e-1) to read as  
20 follows:

21 (e) Except as provided by Subsection (e-1), all ~~[All]~~  
22 documents filed with a county clerk and all documents filed with a  
23 district clerk are exempt from this section.

24 (e-1) A county clerk or district clerk shall on request of a

1 person to whom this section applies redact information described by  
2 Subsection (b) from a document posted by the clerk on an Internet  
3 website that relates to the person making the request if the clerk  
4 has the ability to electronically redact the information from the  
5 posted document.

6         SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.