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H.B. No. 5005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the disclosure under the public information law of a
motor vehicle license plate number captured in a video recording
maintained by a law enforcement agency.

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

SECTION 1. Section 552.130, Government Code, is amended by
adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f) The license plate number of a motor vehicle captured in
a video recording maintained by a law enforcement agency is not
confidential under this section or Chapter 730, Transportation
Code, and may be included in a video recording disclosed under
Section 552.021. This subsection does not preclude a law
enforcement agency from asserting other exceptions to the
disclosure of the information under this chapter.

SECTION 2. Section 730.007, Transportation Code, is amended
by adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(h) A law enforcement agency may release a video recording
maintained by the law enforcement agency that includes the license
plate number of a motor vehicle captured in the video in response to
a request for public information under Chapter 552, Government
Code. The law enforcement agency is not required to redact any
license plate numbers before releasing the video.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.