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S.B. No. 370

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the availability of certain personal information of a child, spouse, or surviving spouse of a current or former employee of the office of the attorney general or of a public defender's office.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 552.117(a) and (c), Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) Information is excepted from the requirements of Section 552.021 if it is information that relates to the home address, home telephone number, emergency contact information, or social security number of the following person or that reveals whether the person has family members:

(1) a current or former official or employee of a governmental body, except as otherwise provided by Section 552.024;

(2) a current or honorably retired peace officer as defined by Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal Procedure, or a current or honorably retired security officer commissioned under Section 51.212, Education Code, regardless of whether the officer complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175, as applicable;

(3) a current or former employee of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice or of the predecessor in function of the department or any division of the department, regardless of whether the current or former employee complies with Section

1 552.1175;

2 (4) a peace officer as defined by Article 2A.001, Code  
3 of Criminal Procedure, or other law, a reserve law enforcement  
4 officer, a commissioned deputy game warden, or a corrections  
5 officer in a municipal, county, or state penal institution in this  
6 state who was killed in the line of duty, regardless of whether the  
7 deceased complied with Section 552.024 or 552.1175;

8 (5) a commissioned security officer as defined by  
9 Section 1702.002, Occupations Code, regardless of whether the  
10 officer complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175, as applicable;

11 (6) an officer or employee of a community supervision  
12 and corrections department established under Chapter 76 who  
13 performs a duty described by Section 76.004(b), regardless of  
14 whether the officer or employee complies with Section 552.024 or  
15 552.1175;

16 (7) a current or former employee of the office of the  
17 attorney general and a family member of the current or former  
18 employee [~~who is or was assigned to a division of that office the~~  
19 ~~duties of which involve law enforcement or are performed under~~  
20 ~~Chapter 231, Family Code~~], regardless of whether the person  
21 [~~current or former employee~~] complies with Section 552.024 or  
22 552.1175;

23 (8) a current or former employee of the Texas Juvenile  
24 Justice Department or of the predecessors in function of the  
25 department, regardless of whether the current or former employee  
26 complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175;

27 (9) a current or former juvenile probation or

1 supervision officer certified by the Texas Juvenile Justice  
2 Department, or the predecessors in function of the department,  
3 under Title 12, Human Resources Code, regardless of whether the  
4 current or former officer complies with Section 552.024 or  
5 552.1175;

6 (10) a current or former employee of a juvenile  
7 justice program or facility, as those terms are defined by Section  
8 261.405, Family Code, regardless of whether the current or former  
9 employee complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175;

10 (11) a current or former member of the United States  
11 Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, or Marine Corps, an auxiliary  
12 service of one of those branches of the armed forces, or the Texas  
13 military forces, as that term is defined by Section 437.001;

14 (12) a current or former district attorney, criminal  
15 district attorney, or county or municipal attorney whose  
16 jurisdiction includes any criminal law or child protective services  
17 matters, regardless of whether the current or former attorney  
18 complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175;

19 (13) a current or former employee of a district  
20 attorney, criminal district attorney, or county or municipal  
21 attorney whose jurisdiction includes any criminal law or child  
22 protective services matters, regardless of whether the current or  
23 former employee complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175;

24 (14) a current or former employee of the Texas Civil  
25 Commitment Office or of the predecessor in function of the office or  
26 a division of the office, regardless of whether the current or  
27 former employee complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175;

1           (15) a current or former federal judge or state judge,  
2 as those terms are defined by Section 1.005, Election Code, a  
3 federal bankruptcy judge, a marshal of the United States Marshals  
4 Service, a United States attorney, or a family member of a current  
5 or former federal judge, including a federal bankruptcy judge, a  
6 marshal of the United States Marshals Service, a United States  
7 attorney, or a state judge;

8           (16) a current or former child protective services  
9 caseworker, adult protective services caseworker, or investigator  
10 for the Department of Family and Protective Services, regardless of  
11 whether the caseworker or investigator complies with Section  
12 552.024 or 552.1175, or a current or former employee of a department  
13 contractor performing child protective services caseworker, adult  
14 protective services caseworker, or investigator functions for the  
15 contractor on behalf of the department;

16           (17) an elected public officer, regardless of whether  
17 the officer complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175;

18           (18) a current or former United States attorney,  
19 assistant United States attorney, federal public defender, deputy  
20 federal public defender, or assistant federal public defender and  
21 the spouse or child of the current or former attorney or public  
22 defender, regardless of whether the person complies with Section  
23 552.024 or 552.1175; ~~[or]~~

24           (19) a firefighter or volunteer firefighter or  
25 emergency medical services personnel as defined by Section 773.003,  
26 Health and Safety Code, regardless of whether the firefighter or  
27 volunteer firefighter or emergency medical services personnel

1 comply with Section 552.024 or 552.1175, as applicable; or

2       (20) a current or former employee of a public  
3 defender's office as defined by Article 26.044(a), Code of Criminal  
4 Procedure, regardless of whether the current or former employee  
5 complies with Section 552.024 or 552.1175.

6       (c) In this section, "family member" means a minor child,  
7 adult child, spouse, or surviving spouse [~~has the meaning assigned~~  
8 ~~by Section 31.006, Finance Code~~].

9       SECTION 2. Section 552.1175, Government Code, is amended by  
10 amending Subsections (a) and (f) and adding Subsections (b-1) and  
11 (i) to read as follows:

12       (a) This section applies only to:

13               (1) current or honorably retired peace officers as  
14 defined by Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal Procedure, or special  
15 investigators as described by Article 2A.002, Code of Criminal  
16 Procedure;

17               (2) current or honorably retired county jailers as  
18 defined by Section 1701.001, Occupations Code;

19               (3) current or former employees of the Texas  
20 Department of Criminal Justice or of the predecessor in function of  
21 the department or any division of the department;

22               (4) commissioned security officers as defined by  
23 Section 1702.002, Occupations Code;

24               (5) a current or former district attorney, criminal  
25 district attorney, or county or municipal attorney whose  
26 jurisdiction includes any criminal law or child protective services  
27 matters;

1           (5-a) a current or former employee of a district  
2 attorney, criminal district attorney, or county or municipal  
3 attorney whose jurisdiction includes any criminal law or child  
4 protective services matters;

5           (6) officers and employees of a community supervision  
6 and corrections department established under Chapter 76 who perform  
7 a duty described by Section 76.004(b);

8           (7) criminal investigators of the United States as  
9 described by Article 2A.002(a), Code of Criminal Procedure;

10          (8) current or honorably retired police officers and  
11 inspectors of the United States Federal Protective Service;

12          (9) current or ~~and~~ former employees of the office of  
13 the attorney general and a family member of the current or former  
14 employee ~~[who are or were assigned to a division of that office the~~  
15 ~~duties of which involve law enforcement or are performed under~~  
16 ~~Chapter 231, Family Code]~~;

17          (10) current or former juvenile probation and  
18 detention officers certified by the Texas Juvenile Justice  
19 Department, or the predecessors in function of the department,  
20 under Title 12, Human Resources Code;

21          (11) current or former employees of a juvenile justice  
22 program or facility, as those terms are defined by Section 261.405,  
23 Family Code;

24          (12) current or former employees of the Texas Juvenile  
25 Justice Department or the predecessors in function of the  
26 department;

27          (13) federal judges and state judges as defined by

Section 1.005, Election Code;

(14) current or former employees of the Texas Civil Commitment Office or of the predecessor in function of the office or a division of the office;

(15) a current or former member of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, or Marine Corps, an auxiliary service of one of those branches of the armed forces, or the Texas military forces, as that term is defined by Section 437.001;

(16) a current or former child protective services caseworker, adult protective services caseworker, or investigator for the Department of Family and Protective Services or a current or former employee of a department contractor performing child protective services caseworker, adult protective services caseworker, or investigator functions for the contractor on behalf of the department;

(17) an elected public officer;

(18) a firefighter or volunteer firefighter or emergency medical services personnel as defined by Section 773.003, Health and Safety Code; ~~and~~

(19) a current or former United States attorney, assistant United States attorney, federal public defender, deputy federal public defender, or assistant federal public defender; or

(20) a current or former employee of a public defender's office as defined by Article 26.044(a), Code of Criminal Procedure.

(b-1) Information included in a form submitted under Subsection (b) and any supplemental information included as part of

1 the submission are confidential and not subject to disclosure under  
2 this chapter.

3 (f) A governmental body may redact information that must be  
4 withheld under Subsection (b) or (b-1) from any information the  
5 governmental body discloses under Section 552.021 without the  
6 necessity of requesting a decision from the attorney general under  
7 Subchapter G.

8 (i) In this section, "family member" means a minor child,  
9 adult child, spouse, or surviving spouse.

10 SECTION 3. Section 25.025(a), Tax Code, as amended by  
11 Chapters 76 (S.B. 617), 152 (S.B. 870), 430 (H.B. 1911), 765  
12 (H.B. 4504), and 937 (S.B. 1525), Acts of the 88th Legislature,  
13 Regular Session, 2023, is reenacted and amended to read as follows:

14 (a) This section applies only to:

15 (1) a current or former peace officer as defined by  
16 Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal Procedure, and the spouse or  
17 surviving spouse of the peace officer;

18 (2) the adult child of a current peace officer as  
19 defined by Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal Procedure;

20 (3) a current or honorably retired county jailer as  
21 defined by Section 1701.001, Occupations Code;

22 (4) an employee of the Texas Department of Criminal  
23 Justice;

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

26 (6) an individual who shows that the individual, the  
27 individual's child, or another person in the individual's household



1 is a victim of family violence as defined by Section 71.004, Family  
2 Code, by providing:

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

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

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

15 (A) a copy of a protective order issued under  
16 Subchapter A or B, Chapter 7B, Code of Criminal Procedure, or a  
17 magistrate's order for emergency protection issued under Article  
18 17.292, Code of Criminal Procedure; or

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

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

27 (9) a federal judge, a federal bankruptcy judge, a

1 marshal of the United States Marshals Service, a state judge, or a  
2 family member of a federal judge, a federal bankruptcy judge, a  
3 marshal of the United States Marshals Service, or a state judge;

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

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

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

16 (13) a criminal investigator of the United States as  
17 described by Article 2A.002(a), Code of Criminal Procedure;

18 (14) a current or honorably retired police officer or  
19 inspector of the United States Federal Protective Service;

20 (15) a current or former United States attorney,  
21 assistant United States attorney, federal public defender, deputy  
22 federal public defender, or assistant federal public defender and  
23 the spouse and child of the attorney or public defender;

24 (16) a current or former employee of the office of the  
25 attorney general and a family member of the current or former  
26 employee ~~[who is or was assigned to a division of that office the~~  
27 ~~duties of which involve law enforcement or are performed under~~

1 ~~Chapter 231, Family Code~~];

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

5           (18) a current or former member of the United States  
6 armed forces who has served in an area that the president of the  
7 United States by executive order designates for purposes of 26  
8 U.S.C. Section 112 as an area in which armed forces of the United  
9 States are or have engaged in combat;

10           (19) a current or former employee of the Texas  
11 Juvenile Justice Department or of the predecessors in function of  
12 the department;

13           (20) a current or former juvenile probation or  
14 supervision officer certified by the Texas Juvenile Justice  
15 Department, or the predecessors in function of the department,  
16 under Title 12, Human Resources Code;

17           (21) a current or former employee of a juvenile  
18 justice program or facility, as those terms are defined by Section  
19 [261.405](#), Family Code;

20           (22) a current or former employee of the Texas Civil  
21 Commitment Office or the predecessor in function of the office or a  
22 division of the office;

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

25           (24) a current or former child protective services  
26 caseworker, adult protective services caseworker, or investigator  
27 for the Department of Family and Protective Services or a current or

1 former employee of a department contractor performing child  
2 protective services caseworker, adult protective services  
3 caseworker, or investigator functions for the contractor on behalf  
4 of the department;

5 (25) an elected public officer;

6 (26) a firefighter or volunteer firefighter or  
7 emergency medical services personnel as defined by Section 773.003,  
8 Health and Safety Code;

9 (27) a customs and border protection officer or border  
10 patrol agent of United States Customs and Border Protection or the  
11 spouse, surviving spouse, or adult child of a customs and border  
12 protection officer or border patrol agent;

13 (28) ~~[(27)] a current or former attorney for the~~  
14 ~~Department of Family and Protective Services~~

15 ~~[(27)]~~ a current or former employee or contract staff  
16 member of a university health care provider at a corrections  
17 facility operated by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice or  
18 the Texas Juvenile Justice Department; ~~and~~

19 (29) ~~[(28)]~~ a current or former attorney for the  
20 Department of Family and Protective Services; and

21 (30) a current or former employee of a public  
22 defender's office as defined by Article 26.044(a), Code of Criminal  
23 Procedure.

24 SECTION 4. Section 25.025(a-1)(1), Tax Code, is amended to  
25 read as follows:

26 (1) "Family member" means a minor child, adult child,  
27 spouse, or surviving spouse ~~[has the meaning assigned by Section~~

1 ~~31.006, Finance Code]~~.

2       SECTION 5. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails  
3 over another Act of the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025,  
4 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted  
5 codes.

6       SECTION 6. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
7 a request for information that is received by a governmental body or  
8 an officer on or after the effective date of this Act.

9       SECTION 7. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.