HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 681 2025 Regular Session Bryant

PUBLIC RECORDS: Provides relative to access to personal information of district attorneys

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Adds a current member of the legislature, a current statewide elected official, and a current member of the public service commission to the list of protected individuals.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Present law</u> provides protections for the personal information of protected individuals, including a current or retired justice of the La. Supreme Court, a current or retired judge of an appellate, district, family, juvenile, parish, city, or municipal court established under the Constitution of La., a current or retired justice or judge of a federal court domiciled in the state, a current or retired magistrate appointed by a state court, a current or retired U.S. magistrate judge domiciled in the state, or a current or retired commissioner or hearing officer of any district court in the state.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and further includes current or retired district attorneys, assistant district attorneys, district attorney investigators, current members of the legislature, current statewide elected officials, and current members of the public service commission as protected individuals.

<u>Present law</u> protects the home address, home and mobile telephone number, personal email address, social security number, driver's license number, federal tax identification number, bank account numbers, credit or debit card number, license plate number or unique identifier of a vehicle, marital record, date of birth, school or daycare of a child, or place of worship of a protected individual and the employment location of a spouse, child, or dependent of a protected individual. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes a protected individual or the judicial administrator's office to request that a public body or third party not publish the protected individual's personal information and remove the personal information from any existing publication.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and further authorizes the La. District Attorneys Association to make such a request on behalf of a current or retired district attorney, assistant district attorney, or district attorney investigator.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that <u>present law</u> and <u>proposed law</u> do not apply to personal information on records publicly posted by the office of the secretary of state.

<u>Present law</u> defines "public body" for purposes of the Public Records Law. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

Effective February 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 44:11.2(E)(1)(intro. para.) and (2)(c) and (H)(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 44:11.2(A)(6), (7), (8), (9) and (J); Repeals R.S. 44:11.2(D))