

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 249

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

PUBLIC RECORDS: Provides relative to port facilities records

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(21) and to enact R.S. 34:3499.2, relative to the  
3 qualification of certain port facility records; to provide for the privacy of blueprints,  
4 floor plans, and interior renderings of such facilities and of blueprints, plans, and  
5 renderings of port infrastructure; to provide for an effective date; to provide for a  
6 public record exception; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 34:3499.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §3499.2. Port facility and infrastructure records

10 A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, blueprints,  
11 floor plans, and renderings of the interior of a port facility or of a facility on port  
12 property and blueprints, plans, or renderings of port infrastructure shall not be public  
13 records.

14 B. Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to require the inspection,  
15 examination, copying, or reproduction of a blueprint, floor plan, or other rendering  
16 of the interior of a port facility or of a facility on port property or a blueprint, plan,  
17 or rendering of port infrastructure.

18 Section 2. R.S. 44:4.1(B)(21) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

19 §4.1. Exceptions

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1 B. The legislature further recognizes that there exist exceptions, exemptions,  
2 and limitations to the laws pertaining to public records throughout the revised  
3 statutes and codes of this state. Therefore, the following exceptions, exemptions, and  
4 limitations are hereby continued in effect by incorporation into this Chapter by  
5 citation:

6 \* \* \*  
7 (21) R.S. 34:340.21, 1005, 3499.2  
8 \* \* \*

9 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
10 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
11 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
12 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
13 effective on the day following such approval.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides that blueprints, plans, and renderings of the interior of a port facility, of a facility on port property, and of port infrastructure are not public records.

Proposed law provides that blueprints, floor plans, and renderings of the interior of a port facility or of a facility on port property and blueprints, plans, or renderings of port infrastructure are not public records and provides that nothing in present law can require the inspection, examination, copying, or reproduction of such records.

Proposed law exempts such information from present law relative to public records.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 44:4.1(B)(21); Adds R.S. 34:3499.2)