

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 81

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Broadwater

(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)

PUBLIC RECORDS. Requires public bodies to make certain information concerning the custodian of records publicly available.

DIGEST

Present law (R.S. 44:1 et seq.—Public Records Law) provides for access and retention of public records. Establishes a framework for the ready availability of public records to requesting persons, and specifically provides that it is the duty of the custodian of the public records for a public entity or agency to provide copies to persons so requesting.

Proposed law retains present law and additionally requires each public body that has a custodian of public records to make the contact information of the custodian available to the public in a manner that will allow a member of the public to quickly determine the appropriate person to whom a public records request should be submitted, including by placing such information on the internet.

(Adds R.S. 44:33.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to the engrossed bill

1. Removes provision requiring that the identity of the custodian be made available.