
DIGEST

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

HB 81

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Broadwater

Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

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

Report adopts Senate amendments to:

1. Remove the requirement that the identity of the custodian be made public.

Report amends the bill to:

1. Provide that proposed law shall be known and may be cited as the "C.B. Forgotston Act".

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

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.

Proposed law provides that it shall be known and may be cited as the "C.B. Forgotston Act".

(Adds R.S. 44:33.1)