
DIGEST

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Abstract: Exempts surveillance and security video of the inside of or covering the area immediately surrounding a building owned, operated, or maintained by a public school board or a charter school from the Public Records Law.

Present law (R.S. 44:1 et seq.-Public Records Law) provides that all types of documentary materials, regardless of format, having been used, being in use, or prepared, possessed, or retained for use in the conduct, transaction, or performance of any business, transaction, work, duty, or function which was conducted, transacted, or performed by or under the authority of the constitution or laws of the state, or by or under the authority of any ordinance, regulation, mandate, or order of any public body or concerning the receipt or payment of any money received or paid by or under the authority of the constitution or the laws of the state are "public records". Present law excludes from the definition of "public record" any documentary material of a security feature of a public body's electronic data processing system, information technology system, telecommunications network, or electronic security system. Present law 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 of a public entity or agency to provide copies to persons so requesting. Provides for certain exceptions, exemptions, and limitations.

Present law further exempts blueprints and floor plans of the interior of a public school building or facility from the Public Records Law.

Proposed law additionally exempts surveillance and security video of the inside of or covering the area immediately surrounding a building owned, operated, or maintained by a public school board or a charter school.

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

(Adds R.S. 44:4(64))