

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2012 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Judiciary

CS/CS/HB 1193 — Public Records/Victims of Violence

by Judiciary Committee; Criminal Justice Subcommittee; and Rep. Jones and others (CS/CS/SB 1390 by Judiciary Committee; Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee; and Senator Joyner)

The bill creates public records exemptions for the personal contact information provided by a petitioner in his or her request for notices relating to an injunction for protection against domestic violence, repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence. The court clerk must apprise the petitioner of the right to make a written request that his or her contact information be exempt from public records requirements. After receipt of the written request, the information is exempt for 5 years. The bill grants access to any state or federal agency that is authorized by law to have access to such information in furtherance of the agency's statutory duties. The public records exemptions will be repealed on October 2, 2017, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect October 1, 2012.

Vote Senate 39-0; House 116-0