

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to electronic access to official  
 3           records; amending s. 28.2221, F.S.; requiring the  
 4           county clerk of the court to make certain information  
 5           available in a searchable database on the clerk's  
 6           official website; providing an effective date.

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 8   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 10           Section 1. Subsection (8) of section 28.2221, Florida  
 11           Statutes, is amended to read:

12           28.2221 Electronic access to official records.—

13           (8)(a) Each county ~~recorder or~~ clerk of the court must  
 14           make the identity of each respondent against whom a final  
 15           judgment for an injunction for the protection of a minor under  
 16           s. 741.30, s. 784.046, or s. 784.0485 is entered, as well as the  
 17           fact that a final judgment for an injunction for the protection  
 18           of a minor under s. 741.30, s. 784.046, or s. 784.0485 has been  
 19           entered against that respondent, publicly available on the  
 20           clerk's official website, ~~an Internet website for general public~~  
 21           ~~display, which may include the Internet website required by this~~  
 22           ~~section,~~ unless the respondent is a minor. The identity and  
 23           information required under this subsection must be viewable  
 24           through a searchable database that is available in a clear and  
 25           conspicuous location on the homepage of the clerk's official

26 | website and must be available for search by the general public.

27 | (b) Any information specified in this subsection not made  
 28 | available by the county ~~recorder or~~ clerk of the court as  
 29 | provided in this subsection ~~on a publicly available Internet~~  
 30 | ~~website for general public display~~ before July 1, 2024 ~~2021~~,  
 31 | must be made publicly available on the clerk of the court's  
 32 | official ~~an Internet~~ website if the affected party identifies  
 33 | the information and requests that such information be added ~~to a~~  
 34 | ~~publicly available Internet website~~ for general public display.  
 35 | Such request must be in writing and delivered by mail,  
 36 | facsimile, or electronic transmission or in person to the county  
 37 | ~~recorder or~~ clerk of the court. The request must specify the  
 38 | case number assigned to the final judgment for an injunction for  
 39 | the protection of a minor under s. 741.30, s. 784.046, or s.  
 40 | 784.0485. A fee may not be charged for the addition of  
 41 | information pursuant to such request.

42 | (c) No later than 30 days after July 1, 2024 ~~2021~~, notice  
 43 | of the right of any affected party to request the addition of  
 44 | information to the searchable database on the clerk of court's  
 45 | official ~~a publicly available Internet~~ website pursuant to this  
 46 | subsection must ~~shall~~ be conspicuously and clearly displayed by  
 47 | the county ~~recorder or~~ clerk of the court on the clerk's  
 48 | official ~~publicly available Internet~~ website on which images or  
 49 | copies of the county's public records are placed and in the  
 50 | office of each county ~~recorder or~~ clerk of the court. Such

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51 notice must contain appropriate instructions for making the  
52 addition of information request in person, by mail, by  
53 facsimile, or by electronic transmission. The notice must state,  
54 in substantially similar form, that any person has a right to  
55 request that a county ~~recorder or~~ clerk of the court add  
56 information to the searchable database on the clerk of court's  
57 official ~~a publicly available Internet~~ website if that  
58 information involves the identity of a respondent against whom a  
59 final judgment for an injunction for the protection of a minor  
60 under s. 741.30, s. 784.046, or s. 784.0485 is entered, unless  
61 the respondent is a minor. Such request must be made in writing  
62 and delivered by mail, facsimile, or electronic transmission or  
63 in person to the county ~~recorder or~~ clerk of the court. The  
64 request must specify the case number assigned to the final  
65 judgment for an injunction for the protection of a minor under  
66 s. 741.30, s. 784.046, or s. 784.0485. A fee may not be charged  
67 for the addition of a document pursuant to such request.

68 (d) Any affected person may petition the circuit court for  
69 an order directing compliance with this subsection.

70 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.