

Committee on Judiciary

HB 7087 — OGSR/Protective Injunctions for Certain Types of Violence

by Oversight, Transparency and Administration Subcommittee; and Rep. Davis and others (SB 7028 by Judiciary Committee)

This bill is based on an Open Government Sunset Review of public records exemptions by legislative staff. These exemptions are scheduled for repeal on October 2, 2017. The reviewed exemptions generally prohibit the disclosure of contact information for a petitioner who is granted an injunction for protection against domestic violence or repeat, sexual, or dating violence. Contact information consists of the petitioner's home, employment, or cell number, home or employment address, email address, or other electronic forms of communication.

The information protected from disclosure will be stored in a database, to be known as the CCIS 3.0, that will send an automated notice to the petitioner within 12 hours after the respondent is served with the injunction. The automated notice must provide, at a minimum, the date, time, and location where the injunction for protection was served on the respondent.

The clerks of the court are currently upgrading from the current database, known as the Comprehensive Case Information System, or the CCIS, to the CCIS 3.0. Once the upgrade is operational, the system will be able to send the automated notice to petitioners that an injunction has been served.

Because the system has not yet been fully developed or activated, the need for the exemptions cannot be fully evaluated by legislative staff at this time consistent with the requirements of the Open Government Sunset Review Act. Accordingly, the bill delays the scheduled repeal of the exemptions by 1 year to October 2, 2018 so that legislative staff may evaluate the exemptions after the automated system is in place.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect October 1, 2017.

Vote: Senate 36-0; House 115-0