

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2013 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Agriculture

HB 7089 — Public Records Exemption/School Food and Nutrition Service Program Participants

by Agriculture and Natural Resources Subcommittee; and Rep. Beshears (CS/SB 1756 by Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee; and Senator Montford)

HB 7089 creates a public records exemption for personal identifying information of an applicant for or participant in a school food and nutrition service program held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Children and Families, or the Department of Education. The 2013 Legislature also passed CS/HB 7087 creating ch. 595, F.S., entitled “School Food and Nutrition Services,” providing authority for the school food and nutrition service programs these agencies are responsible for establishing and maintaining. Some of the information provided for purposes of determining eligibility to the programs is considered to be of a sensitive, personal nature. The bill specifies circumstances under which the exempt information must be disclosed.

The bill provides the exemption will repeal on October 2, 2018, pursuant to the Open Government Sunset Review Act, unless reviewed and reenacted by the Legislature. The bill also provides a statement of public necessity as required by the Florida Constitution.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect upon becoming law.

Vote: Senate 39-0; House 115-1