

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2024 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Judiciary

CS/CS/HB 285 — Pub. Rec./Recording Notification Service

by Ethics, Elections & Open Government Subcommittee; Civil Justice Subcommittee; and Reps. Hunschofsky, Daniels, and others (CS/SB 1000 by Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Senators DiCeglie and Book)

A recording notification service is a program operated by a clerk of court or a property appraiser that allows an individual to receive prompt electronic notification when a document is recorded in the official records that may affect the individual. A property owner receiving an unexpected notice is thereby made aware of possible fraudulent activities that may affect that owner.

The bill makes confidential and exempt from public records inspection and copying requirements the electronic mail addresses, telephone numbers, personal and business names, and parcel identification numbers submitted to the clerk or property appraiser for the purpose of registering for a recording notification service or a related service pursuant to s. 28.47, F.S. The bill applies to currently held information and to information acquired in the future.

This exemption is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act and will stand repealed on October 2, 2029, unless saved from repeal.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect upon becoming law.

Vote: Senate 39-0; House 113-0