By the Committee on Transportation

306-597-02

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An act relating to a public-records exemption for certain information relating to deepwater ports; amending s. 315.18, F.S.; abrogating the future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions scheduled under the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995; providing an effective date.

A bill to be entitled

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

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Section 1. Section 315.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

315.18 Confidentiality of certain records held by deepwater ports. -- Any proposal or counterproposal exchanged between a deepwater port listed in s. 311.09(1) and any nongovernmental entity, relating to the sale, use, or lease of land or of port facilities, and any financial records submitted by any nongovernmental entity to such a deepwater port for the purpose of the sale, use, or lease of land or of port facilities, are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. However, 30 days before any such proposal or counterproposal is considered for approval by the governing body of such a deepwater port, the proposal or counterproposal shall cease to be exempt. no proposal or counterproposal is submitted to the governing body for approval, such a proposal or counterproposal shall cease to be exempt 90 days after the cessation of negotiations. This section is subject to the Open Government

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Sunset Review Act of 1995 in accordance with s. 119.15, and

shall stand repealed on October 2, 2002, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature. Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2002. SENATE SUMMARY Abrogates the repeal and legislative review of an exemption from the public-records law which is provided for certain records held by deepwater ports concerning the sale, use, or lease of land or facilities.