HOUSE AMENDMENT

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Amendment No. \_\_\_\_ (for drafter's use only) CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 ORIGINAL STAMP BELOW 6 7 8 9 10 The Committee on State Administration offered the following: 11 12 13 Amendment (with title amendment) Remove everything after the enacting clause 14 15 16 and insert: 17 Section 1. Paragraph (ee) of subsection (3) of section 119.07, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 18 19 2001-364, Laws of Florida, is created to read: 20 119.07 Inspection, examination, and duplication of 21 records; exemptions.--22 (3) (ee) Building plans, blueprints, schematic drawings, 23 24 diagrams, including draft, preliminary, and final formats, 25 which depict the internal layout and structural elements of a 26 building, arena, stadium, water treatment facility, or other 27 structure owned or operated by an agency as defined in s. 28 119.011 are exempt from the provisions of subsection (1) and 29 s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This exemption 30 applies to building plans, blueprints, schematic drawings, and diagrams, including draft, preliminary, and final formats, 31 1 File original & 9 copies hsa0005 02/21/02 05:37 pm

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which depict the internal layout and structural elements of a 1 2 building, arena, stadium, water treatment facility, or other 3 structure owned or operated by an agency before, on, or after 4 the effective date of this act. Information made exempt by this paragraph may be disclosed to another governmental entity 5 if disclosure is necessary for the receiving entity to perform 6 7 its duties and responsibilities; to a licensed architect, engineer, or contractor who is performing work on or related 8 to the building, arena, stadium, water treatment facility, or 9 10 other agency owned or operated structure; or upon a showing of 11 good cause before a court of competent jurisdiction. The 12 entities or persons receiving such information shall maintain 13 the exempt status of that information. This paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995 in 14 15 accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2007, unless reviewed and reenacted by the Legislature. 16 17 Section 2. The Legislature finds that the public 18 records exemption created by this act is a public necessity in order to ensure the safety of government infrastructures and 19 to ensure public safety. Such exempt information is a vital 20 component of public safety and if it were made publicly 21 available then the ability for persons who desire to harm 22 individuals located in those structures is increased. In 23 addition, terrorists would have easy access to the exempt 24 25 information and use the information to inflict harm on the public. Although skill would be required to use such 26 27 information to further an act of terrorism, ample evidence exists of the capabilities of terrorists to conduct 28 complicated acts of terrorism. The September 11, 2001, attack 29 30 on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, as well as the intentional spread of anthrax in this country and state, 31 2

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provides evidence that such capabilities exist. These events 1 2 also show the crippling effect that terrorist acts can have, 3 not only on the lives of persons in a community affected by 4 terrorist acts but also on the economy of the community, the 5 state, and the nation. Consequently, the Legislature finds 6 that the public records exemption created by this act is a 7 public necessity. 8 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a 9 law. 10 11 12 13 And the title is amended as follows: 14 On page 1, lines 2 through 16, 15 remove: all of said lines 16 17 and insert: An act relating to public records; amending s. 18 119.07, F.S.; creating a public records 19 20 exemption for building plans, blueprints, schematic drawings, or diagrams of specified 21 facilities owned or operated by an agency; 22 providing for retroactive application of the 23 24 exemption; providing exceptions to the 25 exemption; providing for future review and repeal; providing an effective date. 26 27 28 29 30 31 3

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