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2 An act relating to public records; amending s. 3 119.071, F.S.; including dates of birth within the 4 types of personal identifying information of specified 5 agency personnel and the spouses and children of such 6 personnel that are exempt from public records 7 requirements under s. 119.071(4)(d), F.S.; clarifying 8 an exemption for personal identifying information of 9 active or former law enforcement personnel and the 10 spouses and children thereof; revising the exemption 11 for personal identifying and location information of justices of the Supreme Court, district court of 12 appeal judges, circuit court judges, and county court 13 14 judges, and the spouses and children of such justices 15 and judges, to include former justices of the Supreme 16 Court, district court of appeal judges, circuit court judges, and county court judges, and the spouses and 17 children thereof; providing for retroactive 18 19 application of the exemptions; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; 20 21 defining the term "telephone numbers"; providing a 22 statement of public necessity; providing an effective 23 date. 24 25 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 26 27 Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of section 28 119.071, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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29 119.071 General exemptions from inspection or copying of 30 public records.-

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(4) AGENCY PERSONNEL INFORMATION.-

32 (d)1. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "telephone 33 numbers" includes home telephone numbers, personal cellular 34 telephone numbers, personal pager telephone numbers, and 35 telephone numbers associated with personal communications 36 how

36 <u>devices</u>.

37 2.a. The home addresses, telephone numbers, social 38 security numbers, dates of birth, and photographs of active or 39 former sworn or civilian law enforcement personnel, including 40 correctional and correctional probation officers, personnel of 41 the Department of Children and Family Services whose duties 42 include the investigation of abuse, neglect, exploitation, 43 fraud, theft, or other criminal activities, personnel of the 44 Department of Health whose duties are to support the investigation of child abuse or neglect, and personnel of the 45 Department of Revenue or local governments whose 46 responsibilities include revenue collection and enforcement or 47 child support enforcement; the home addresses, telephone 48 49 numbers, social security numbers, photographs, dates of birth, 50 and places of employment of the spouses and children of such 51 personnel; and the names and locations of schools and day care 52 facilities attended by the children of such personnel are exempt 53 from s. 119.07(1).

54 b. The home addresses, telephone numbers, <u>dates of birth</u>, 55 and photographs of firefighters certified in compliance with s. 56 633.35; the home addresses, telephone numbers, photographs,

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57 <u>dates of birth</u>, and places of employment of the spouses and 58 children of such firefighters; and the names and locations of 59 schools and day care facilities attended by the children of such 60 firefighters are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

The home addresses, dates of birth, and telephone 61 с. numbers of current or former justices of the Supreme Court, 62 district court of appeal judges, circuit court judges, and 63 64 county court judges; the home addresses, telephone numbers, 65 dates of birth, and places of employment of the spouses and children of current or former justices and judges; and the names 66 67 and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the children of current or former justices and judges are exempt 68 from s. 119.07(1). 69

70 The home addresses, telephone numbers, social security d. 71 numbers, dates of birth, and photographs of current or former 72 state attorneys, assistant state attorneys, statewide 73 prosecutors, or assistant statewide prosecutors; the home 74 addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, 75 photographs, dates of birth, and places of employment of the 76 spouses and children of current or former state attorneys, 77 assistant state attorneys, statewide prosecutors, or assistant 78 statewide prosecutors; and the names and locations of schools 79 and day care facilities attended by the children of current or 80 former state attorneys, assistant state attorneys, statewide 81 prosecutors, or assistant statewide prosecutors are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. 82 The home addresses, dates of birth, and telephone 83 е. 84 numbers of general magistrates, special magistrates, judges of

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85 compensation claims, administrative law judges of the Division 86 of Administrative Hearings, and child support enforcement 87 hearing officers; the home addresses, telephone numbers, dates 88 of birth, and places of employment of the spouses and children 89 of general magistrates, special magistrates, judges of 90 compensation claims, administrative law judges of the Division 91 of Administrative Hearings, and child support enforcement 92 hearing officers; and the names and locations of schools and day 93 care facilities attended by the children of general magistrates, 94 special magistrates, judges of compensation claims, 95 administrative law judges of the Division of Administrative 96 Hearings, and child support enforcement hearing officers are 97 exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution if the general magistrate, special magistrate, 98 99 judge of compensation claims, administrative law judge of the 100 Division of Administrative Hearings, or child support hearing officer provides a written statement that the general 101 102 magistrate, special magistrate, judge of compensation claims, 103 administrative law judge of the Division of Administrative 104 Hearings, or child support hearing officer has made reasonable 105 efforts to protect such information from being accessible 106 through other means available to the public. This sub-107 subparagraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act 108 in accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand repealed on 109 October 2, 2013, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through 110 reenactment by the Legislature.

111 f. The home addresses, telephone numbers, <u>dates of birth</u>, 112 and photographs of current or former human resource, labor Page 4 of 9

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relations, or employee relations directors, assistant directors, 113 114 managers, or assistant managers of any local government agency 115 or water management district whose duties include hiring and 116 firing employees, labor contract negotiation, administration, or 117 other personnel-related duties; the names, home addresses, 118 telephone numbers, dates of birth, and places of employment of 119 the spouses and children of such personnel; and the names and 120 locations of schools and day care facilities attended by the 121 children of such personnel are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 122 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.

123 The home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth, g. and photographs of current or former code enforcement officers; 124 125 the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth, 126 and places of employment of the spouses and children of such 127 personnel; and the names and locations of schools and day care 128 facilities attended by the children of such personnel are exempt 129 from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State 130 Constitution.

131 h. The home addresses, telephone numbers, places of employment, dates of birth, and photographs of current or former 132 133 guardians ad litem, as defined in s. 39.820; the names, home 134 addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth, and places of 135 employment of the spouses and children of such persons; and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended 136 137 by the children of such persons are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and 138 s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution, if the guardian ad 139 litem provides a written statement that the guardian ad litem has made reasonable efforts to protect such information from 140

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being accessible through other means available to the public. This sub-subparagraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2015, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

146 The home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth, i. 147 and photographs of current or former juvenile probation officers, juvenile probation supervisors, detention 148 149 superintendents, assistant detention superintendents, juvenile justice detention officers I and II, juvenile justice detention 150 151 officer supervisors, juvenile justice residential officers, 152 juvenile justice residential officer supervisors I and II, juvenile justice counselors, juvenile justice counselor 153 154 supervisors, human services counselor administrators, senior human services counselor administrators, rehabilitation 155 156 therapists, and social services counselors of the Department of 157 Juvenile Justice; the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, 158 dates of birth, and places of employment of spouses and children of such personnel; and the names and locations of schools and 159 160 day care facilities attended by the children of such personnel 161 are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State 162 Constitution.

j. The home addresses, telephone numbers, <u>dates of birth</u>, and photographs of current or former public defenders, assistant public defenders, criminal conflict and civil regional counsel, and assistant criminal conflict and civil regional counsel; the home addresses, telephone numbers, <u>dates of birth</u>, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such defenders or

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169 counsel; and the names and locations of schools and day care 170 facilities attended by the children of such defenders or counsel 171 are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State 172 Constitution. This sub-subparagraph is subject to the Open 173 Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and 174 shall stand repealed on October 2, 2015, unless reviewed and 175 saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

176 3.2. An agency that is the custodian of the information 177 specified in subparagraph 2. 1. and that is not the employer of 178 the officer, employee, justice, judge, or other person specified 179 in subparagraph 2. 1. shall maintain the exempt status of that 180 information only if the officer, employee, justice, judge, other 181 person, or employing agency of the designated employee submits a 182 written request for maintenance of the exemption to the 183 custodial agency.

184 <u>4. The exemptions in this paragraph apply to information</u>
185 <u>held by an agency before, on, or after the effective date of the</u>
186 <u>exemption.</u>

187 5. This paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand 188 189 repealed on October 2, 2017, unless reviewed and saved from 190 repeal through reenactment by the Legislature. 191 Section 2. (1) It is the finding of the Legislature that 192 the dates of birth of agency personnel enumerated in s. 193 119.071(4)(d), Florida Statutes, and of the spouses and children 194 of such personnel be included within the types of identification 195 and location information for such agency personnel and the 196 spouses and children thereof that are exempt from public record

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197	requirements under s. 119.071(4)(d), Florida Statutes. It is the
198	finding of the Legislature that date of birth information can be
199	used as a tool to perpetuate fraud against an individual and to
200	acquire sensitive personal, financial, medical, and familial
201	information, the release of which could cause great financial
202	harm to an individual. It is also the finding of the Legislature
203	that, with respect to the existing exemptions from public record
204	requirements for the telephone numbers of agency personnel
205	enumerated in s. 119.071(4)(d), Florida Statutes, and the
206	telephone numbers of the spouses and children of such personnel,
207	the term "telephone number" should be defined and clarified to
208	include personal pager numbers. Personal pager numbers are
209	another means by which any of the agency personnel enumerated in
210	s. 119.071(4)(d), Florida Statutes, and the spouses and children
211	of such personnel, could potentially be identified, located, and
212	put at risk.
213	(2) It is the further finding of the Legislature that
214	specified identification and location information for former
215	justices of the Supreme Court, district court of appeal judges,
216	circuit court judges, and county court judges, and for the
217	spouses and children of such former justices and judges, should
218	be exempt from public record requirements. In the course of
219	making rulings, entering judgments, imposing sentences on the
220	convicted, or reviewing cases from other courts, justices and
221	judges frequently do not create good will with litigants, the
222	accused, the convicted, and their associates and families, thus
223	making the justices and judges, and their spouses and children,
224	targets for acts of revenge. This risk continues after justices
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225	and judges complete their public service. Disgruntled
226	individuals may wait to commit an act of revenge until the
227	employment of a justice or judge ends. If such identifying and
228	location information were released, the safety of former
229	justices and judges and their spouses and children could be
230	seriously jeopardized. Accordingly, it is the finding of the
231	Legislature that, in addition to the existing exemption from
232	public record requirements for specified identifying and
233	location information for current justices of the Supreme Court,
234	district court of appeal judges, circuit court judges, and
235	county court judges, and for their spouses and children, it is a
236	public necessity that such identifying and location information
237	for such former justices and judges and their spouses and
238	children be made exempt from public record requirements.
239	Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2012.

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