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The Committee on Criminal Justice (Altman) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (h) of subsection (2) of section 119.071, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

- (2) AGENCY INVESTIGATIONS.-
- (h)1. The following criminal intelligence information or

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criminal investigative information is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution:

- a. Any information that, including the photograph, name, address, or other fact, which reveals the identity of the victim of the crime of child abuse as defined by chapter 827 or that reveals the identity of a person under the age of 18 who is the victim of the crime of human trafficking proscribed in s. 787.06(3)(a).
- b. Any information that which may reveal the identity of a person who is a victim of any sexual offense, including a sexual offense proscribed in s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), (g), or (h), chapter 794, chapter 796, chapter 800, chapter 827, or chapter 847.
- c. A photograph, videotape, or image of any part of the body of the victim of a sexual offense prohibited under s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), (g), or (h), chapter 794, chapter 796, chapter 800, s. 810.145, chapter 827, or chapter 847, regardless of whether the photograph, videotape, or image identifies the victim.
- 2. Criminal investigative information and criminal intelligence information made confidential and exempt under this paragraph may be disclosed by a law enforcement agency:
- a. In the furtherance of its official duties and responsibilities.
- b. For print, publication, or broadcast if the law enforcement agency determines that such release would assist in locating or identifying a person that such agency believes to be missing or endangered. The information provided should be

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limited to that needed to identify or locate the victim and not include the sexual nature of the offense committed against the person.

- c. To another governmental agency in the furtherance of its official duties and responsibilities.
- 3. This exemption applies to such confidential and exempt criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information held by a law enforcement agency before, on, or after the effective date of the exemption.
- 4. This paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2019 2016, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.
- Section 2. Subsection (11) is added to section 943.0583, Florida Statutes, to read:
 - 943.0583 Human trafficking victim expunction.-
- (11) (a) The following criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution:
- 1. Any information that reveals the identity of a person who is a victim of human trafficking whose criminal history record has been expunged under this section.
- 2. Any information that may reveal the identity of a person who is a victim of human trafficking whose criminal history record has been ordered expunded under this section.
- (b) Criminal investigative information and criminal intelligence information made confidential and exempt under this subsection may be disclosed by a law enforcement agency:

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- 1. In the furtherance of its official duties and responsibilities.
- 2. For print, publication, or broadcast if the law enforcement agency determines that such release would assist in locating or identifying a person that the agency believes to be missing or endangered. The information provided should be limited to that needed to identify or locate the victim.
- 3. To another governmental agency in the furtherance of its official duties and responsibilities.
- (c) This exemption applies to such confidential and exempt criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information held by a law enforcement agency before, on, or after the effective date of the exemption.
- (d) This subsection is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2019, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

Section 3. The Legislature finds that it is a public necessity to make confidential and exempt from public records requirements certain criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information that reveals the identity of a victim of the crime of human trafficking of a minor for labor or any victim of human trafficking for commercial sexual activity. The Legislature finds that it is important to strengthen the protections afforded victims of human trafficking for labor who are minors and victims of human trafficking for commercial sexual activity, regardless of age, in order to ensure their privacy and to prevent their revictimization by making such information confidential and exempt. The identity of



98 these victims is information of a sensitive personal nature. As 99 such, this exemption serves to minimize the trauma to victims 100 because the release of such information would compound the 101 tragedy already visited upon their lives and would be defamatory 102 to or cause unwarranted damage to the good name or reputation of 103 the victims. Protecting the release of identifying information 104 of such victims protects them from further embarrassment, harassment, or injury. The Legislature also finds that it is a 105 public necessity that information in the investigative or 106 107 intelligence records related to a criminal history record ordered expunged under s. 943.0583, Florida Statutes, which 108 109 would or could reasonably be expected to reveal the identity of 110 a person who is a victim of human trafficking whose criminal 111 history record has been ordered expunded under s. 943.0583, 112 Florida Statutes, be made confidential and exempt from s. 113 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and s. 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution. Persons who are victims of human trafficking 114 115 and who have been charged with crimes allegedly committed at the 116 behest of their traffickers are themselves victims of crimes. 117 Such victims face barriers to employment and other life 118 opportunities as long as these criminal charges remain on record 119 and accessible to potential employers and others. It is 120 necessary that these records be made confidential and exempt in 121 order for human trafficking victims to have the chance to 122 rebuild their lives and reenter society. Section 4. This act shall take effect on the same date that 123 124 SB 1440 or similar legislation relating to human trafficking 125 takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same 126 legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law.



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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; revising an exemption from public records requirements for certain criminal intelligence and investigative information to exempt information that reveals the identity of a victim of certain human trafficking offenses; amending s. 943.0583, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for investigative information relating to criminal history records of human trafficking victims that have been ordered expunged; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.