By the Committee on Judiciary

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 501.171, F.S., which provides a public records exemption for information received by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to a notification of a security breach or during the course of an investigation of such breach; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (11) of section 501.171, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

501.171 Security of confidential personal information.-

(11) PUBLIC RECORDS EXEMPTION.—

- (a) All information received by the department pursuant to a notification required by this section, or received by the department pursuant to an investigation by the department or a law enforcement agency, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution, until such time as the investigation is completed or ceases to be active. This exemption shall be construed in conformity with s. 119.071(2)(c).
- (b) During an active investigation, information made confidential and exempt pursuant to paragraph (a) may be disclosed by the department:
- 1. In the furtherance of its official duties and responsibilities;

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2. For print, publication, or broadcast if the department determines that such release would assist in notifying the public or locating or identifying a person that the department believes to be a victim of a data breach or improper disposal of customer records, except that information made confidential and exempt by paragraph (c) may not be released pursuant to this subparagraph; or

- 3. To another governmental entity in the furtherance of its official duties and responsibilities.
- (c) Upon completion of an investigation or once an investigation ceases to be active, the following information received by the department shall remain confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution:
- 1. All information to which another public records exemption applies.
 - 2. Personal information.
 - 3. A computer forensic report.
- 4. Information that would otherwise reveal weaknesses in a covered entity's data security.
- 5. Information that would disclose a covered entity's proprietary information.
- (d) For purposes of this subsection, the term "proprietary information" means information that:
 - 1. Is owned or controlled by the covered entity.
- 2. Is intended to be private and is treated by the covered entity as private because disclosure would harm the covered entity or its business operations.
 - 3. Has not been disclosed except as required by law or a

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private agreement that provides that the information will not be released to the public.

- 4. Is not publicly available or otherwise readily ascertainable through proper means from another source in the same configuration as received by the department.
 - 5. Includes:

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- a. Trade secrets as defined in s. 688.002.
- b. Competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the covered entity who is the subject of the information.
- (e) 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 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2019.