1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to public records; amending s. 943.68,
3	F.S.; providing an exemption from public records
4	requirements for records held by a law enforcement
5	agency relating to certain security or transportation
6	services; providing for retroactive application;
7	providing for legislative review and repeal of the
8	exemption; providing a statement of public necessity;
9	providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision;
10	providing an effective date.
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12	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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14	Section 1. Subsection (10) is added to section 943.68,
15	Florida Statutes, and subsections (1), (5), and (6) of that
16	section are republished, to read:
17	943.68 Transportation and protective services
18	(1) The department shall provide and maintain the security
19	of the Governor, the Governor's immediate family, and the
20	Governor's office and mansion and the grounds thereof.
21	(5) The department is authorized to provide security or
22	transportation to visiting governors and their families upon
23	request by the Governor.
24	(6) The department shall provide security or
25	transportation services to other persons when requested by the
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26 Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, a member of the Cabinet, the 27 Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the 28 Senate, or the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, subject to 29 certification by the requesting party that such services are in 30 the best interest of the state. The requesting party may 31 delegate certification authority to the executive director of 32 the department. The requesting party shall limit such services 33 to persons:

(a) Who are visiting the state; for whom such services are
requested by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, a member of
the Cabinet, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the
President of the Senate, or the Chief Justice of the Supreme
Court; and for whom the primary purpose of the visit is for a
significant public purpose; or

(b) For whom the failure to provide security or transportation could result in a clear and present danger to the personal safety of such persons or to the safety of other persons or property within this state or could result in public embarrassment to the state.

45 (10) (a) Records held by a law enforcement agency relating 46 to security or transportation services provided under subsection 47 (1), subsection (5), or subsection (6) are exempt from s. 48 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This 49 exemption applies to records held by a law enforcement agency 50 before, on, or after the effective date of this act.

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51	(b) This subsection is subject to the Open Government
52	Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand
53	repealed on October 2, 2028, unless reviewed and saved from
54	repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.
55	Section 2. <u>The Legislature finds that it is a public</u>
56	necessity that records held by a law enforcement agency relating
57	to security or transportation services provided under s.
58	943.68(1), (5), or (6), Florida Statutes, be made exempt from s.
59	119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and s. 24(a), Article I of the
60	State Constitution. Information obtained by a law enforcement
61	agency authorized by law to provide security or transportation
62	services to persons, including the Governor, the Governor's
63	immediate family, visiting governors and their families, the
64	Lieutenant Governor, a member of the Cabinet, the Speaker of the
65	House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, or the
66	Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or for persons for whom such
67	services are requested by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor,
68	a member of the Cabinet, the Speaker of the House of
69	Representatives, the President of the Senate, or the Chief
70	Justice of the Supreme Court, the disclosure of which could
71	endanger the protected person, should not be disclosed to the
72	public. The disclosure of such records, including security,
73	operational, and logistical plans; mansion security, facility
74	operations, access, screenings, and clearances; personal
75	information unrelated to official duties of the protected
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76	persons; risk, vulnerability, and threat assessments; travel
77	information relating to the protected person and law enforcement
78	agents and personnel providing the security or transportation
79	services; and identifying information of sworn and nonsworn
80	personnel engaged in a security or transportation services
81	operation or detail, could reveal the means and methods of
82	providing the required security or transportation services and
83	could impair the ability of the law enforcement agency to ensure
84	the safety and security of the protected person. The disclosure
85	of such records could also endanger the law enforcement agents
86	and personnel providing the security or transportation services.
87	The Legislature finds that the safety and security of persons
88	authorized protection under s. 943.68 (1), (5), or (6), Florida
89	Statutes, as well as the safety and security of law enforcement
90	agents and personnel providing the security or transportation
91	services, outweigh any public benefit that may be derived from
92	the disclosure of such records. Therefore, it is a public
93	necessity that records held by a law enforcement agency relating
94	to security or transportation services provided under s.
95	943.68(1), (5), or (6), Florida Statutes, be made exempt from
96	public records requirements.
97	Section 3. The Division of Law Revision is directed to
98	replace the phrase "the effective date of this act" wherever it
99	occurs in this act with the date this act becomes a law.
100	Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.
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