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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 2 (Administrative Law and Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for  
3 confidentiality of personal information of public safety  
4 officials.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Title 2 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes  
8 is amended by adding a chapter to read:

9 CHAPTER 2

10 PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIALS

11 Sec.

12 201. Definitions.

13 202. Confidentiality request.

14 § 201. Definitions.

15 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter  
16 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
17 context clearly indicates otherwise:

18 "Commonwealth agency." As defined in 71 Pa.C.S. § 4102  
19 (relating to definitions).

1 "Public safety official." An individual referred to in 18  
2 Pa.C.S. § 2702(c) (relating to aggravated assault), except  
3 paragraphs (22), (26), (27), (28), (29), (30), (31), (32), (33)  
4 and (36). The term includes any person who is determined to be a  
5 law enforcement officer for purposes of the act of February 14,  
6 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law.  
7 § 202. Confidentiality request.

8 (a) Written request.--

9 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, upon  
10 receiving a written request from a public safety official, a  
11 political subdivision or a Commonwealth agency may not  
12 disclose the home address, personal telephone number or e-  
13 mail address of the public safety official or his or her  
14 spouse, child or parent.

15 (2) A written request under paragraph (1) must be signed  
16 by the public safety official and must include the name and  
17 address of the public safety official and the name of any  
18 spouse, child or parent for whom confidentiality is  
19 requested.

20 (b) Penalty.--

21 (1) Except as provided under paragraph (2), a person who  
22 knowingly discloses information protected from disclosure  
23 under subsection (a) commits a summary offense.

24 (2) A person who commits a second or subsequent  
25 violation of this section, or a first offense if the intent  
26 of the person was to cause substantial harm or serious  
27 inconvenience, constitutes a misdemeanor of the third degree.

28 (c) Rules and regulations.--The Attorney General shall  
29 promulgate rules and regulations necessary to carry out this  
30 section.

1 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 90 days.