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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 17, 2017

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), entitled  
2 "An act providing for access to public information, for a  
3 designated open-records officer in each Commonwealth agency,  
4 local agency, judicial agency and legislative agency, for  
5 procedure, for appeal of agency determination, for judicial  
6 review and for the Office of Open Records; imposing  
7 penalties; providing for reporting by State-related  
8 institutions; requiring the posting of certain State contract  
9 information on the Internet; and making related repeals," in  
10 procedure, further providing for exceptions for public  
11 records.

12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
13 hereby enacts as follows:

14 Section 1. Section 708(b)(6) of the act of February 14, 2008  
15 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law, is amended to  
16 read:

17 Section 708. Exceptions for public records.

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19 (b) Exceptions.--Except as provided in subsections (c) and  
20 (d), the following are exempt from access by a requester under  
21 this act:

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2 (6) (i) The following personal identification  
3 information:

4 (A) A record containing all or part of a  
5 person's Social Security number, driver's license  
6 number, personal financial information, home,  
7 cellular or personal telephone numbers, home address,  
8 personal e-mail addresses, employee number or other  
9 confidential personal identification number.

10 (B) A spouse's name, marital status or  
11 beneficiary or dependent information.

12 [(C) The home address of a law enforcement  
13 officer or judge.]

14 (ii) Nothing in this paragraph shall preclude the  
15 release of the name, position, salary, actual  
16 compensation or other payments or expenses, employment  
17 contract, employment-related contract or agreement and  
18 length of service of a public official or an agency  
19 employee.

20 (iii) An agency may redact the name or other  
21 identifying information relating to an individual  
22 performing an undercover or covert law enforcement  
23 activity from a record.

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25 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.