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**To:** Honorable Mayor & Town Council of the Town of Juno Beach, Florida

**From:** Zackery Good, Esq., Town Attorney

**Date:** December 10, 2025

**Re:** Public Records, Confidential and Exempt Records

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Florida's Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, provides a right of access to the records of state and local governments, as well as to private entities acting on their behalf. In the absence of a statutory exemption, this right of access applies to all materials made or received by an agency in connection with the transaction of official business which are used to perpetuate, communicate, or formalize knowledge. This memorandum will address public records generally, exempt and confidential records, and penalties for violations of the Public Records Law.

## **Public Records Generally**

Section 119.011(12), Florida Statutes, defines "public records" to include, "all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business by any agency." The Florida Supreme Court has interpreted this definition to encompass all materials made or received by an agency in connection with official business which are used to perpetuate, communicate or formalize knowledge. *Shevin v. Byron, Harless, Schaffer, Reid and Associates, Inc.*, 379 So. 2d 633, 640 (Fla. 1980). All such materials, regardless of whether they are in final form, are open for public inspection unless the Legislature has exempted them from disclosure. *Wait v. Florida Power & Light Company*, 372 So. 2d 420 (Fla. 1979).

## **Exempt and Confidential Records**

Article I, s. 24(c), Florida Constitution, authorizes the Legislature to enact general laws creating exemptions provided that such laws “shall state with specificity the public necessity justifying the exemption and shall be no broader than necessary to accomplish the stated purpose of the law.” “The Constitution allows for the legislature, not the courts to provide for exceptions to the public records act.” *Cruz v. State*, 297 So. 3d 154 (Fla. 4th DCA 2019). See *Halifax Hospital Medical Center v. News-Journal Corporation*, 724 So. 2d 567 (Fla. 1999) (statute providing an exemption from the Sunshine Law for portions of hospital board meetings is unconstitutional because it does not meet the constitutional standard of specificity as to stated public necessity and it is broader than necessary to achieve its purpose).

There is a difference between records the Legislature has determined to be exempt from the Public Records Act and those which the Legislature has determined to be exempt from the Act *and confidential*. *WFTV, Inc. v. School Board of Seminole County*, 874 So. 2d 48, 53 (Fla. 5th DCA 2004), *review denied*, 892 So. 2d 1015 (Fla. 2004). *And see State v. Wooten*, 260 So. 3d 1060, 1069-1070 (Fla. 4th DCA 2018) (Ch. 119, F.S., refers to both “exempt” records and records which are “confidential and exempt”). If information is made confidential in the statutes, the information is not subject to inspection by the public and may be released only to those persons and entities designated in the statute. *Id.* *And see* AGOs 08-24, 04-09 and 86-97.

If records are not made confidential but are simply exempt from the mandatory disclosure requirements in s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, the agency is not prohibited from disclosing the documents in all circumstances. See *Williams v. City of Minneola*, 575 So. 2d 683, 687 (Fla. 5th DCA), *review denied*, 589 So. 2d 289 (Fla. 1991), in which the court observed that pursuant to s. 119.07(3) (d), F.S. [now s. 119.071(2)(c), F.S.], “active criminal investigative information” was exempt from the requirement that public records be made available for public inspection. However,

as stated by the court, “the exemption does not *prohibit* the showing of such information. There are many situations in which investigators have reasons for displaying information which they have the option not to display.”

Once an agency has gone public with information which could have been previously protected from disclosure under Public Records Act exemptions, no further purpose is served by preventing full access to the desired information. *Downs v. Austin*, 522 So. 2d 931, 935 (Fla. 1st DCA 1988). *Cf.* AGO 01-74 (taxpayer information that is confidential in the hands of certain specified officers under s. 193.074, F. S., is subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act when it has been submitted by a taxpayer to a value adjustment board as evidence in an assessment dispute).

Importantly, if the Legislature is “clear in its intent,” an exemption to the Public Records Act may be applied retroactively. *Campus Communications, Inc. v. Earnhardt*, 821 So. 2d 388, 396 (Fla. 5th DCA 2002), *review denied*, 848 So. 2d 1153 (Fla. 2003) (statute exempting autopsy photographs from disclosure is remedial and may be retroactively applied). *See also Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office v. Sun-Sentinel Company, LLC*, 226 So. 3d 969 (Fla. 4th DCA 2017); *City of Orlando v. Desjardins*, 493 So. 2d 1027, 1028 (Fla. 1986); and *Roberts v. Butterworth*, 668 So. 2d 580 (Fla. 1996). *Cf. Cebrian By and Through Cebrian v. Klein*, 614 So.2d 1209 (Fla. 4th DCA 1993) (amendment to child abuse statute limiting access to unfounded reports was remedial in nature and therefore applied retroactively); AGO 11-16 (applying exemption to a public records request received before the statute’s effective date because the legislation creating the exemption states that it “applies to information held by an agency, before, on, or after the effective date of this exemption”); and AGO 94-70 (amendment to expungement statute appears to be remedial and,

therefore, should be retroactively applied to those records ordered expunged prior to the effective date of the amendment).

### **Violations of the Public Records Law**

Section 119.10(1)(b), Florida Statutes, states that a public officer who knowingly violates the provisions of s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, is subject to suspension and removal or impeachment and commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable by possible criminal penalties of one year in prison, or \$1,000 fine, or both. *See State v. Webb*, 786 So. 2d 602 (Fla. 1st DCA 2001) (s. 119.10[1][b] authorizes a conviction for violating s. 119.07 only if a defendant is found to have committed such violation “knowingly”; statute cannot be interpreted as allowing a conviction based on mere negligence).

Section 119.10(1)(a), F.S., provides that a violation of any provision of Ch. 119, F.S., by a public officer is a noncriminal infraction, punishable by fine not exceeding \$500. *Cf.* s. 838.022(1)(b), F.S. (unlawful for a public servant or public contractor, to knowingly and intentionally obtain a benefit for any person or to cause unlawful harm to another, by concealing, covering up, destroying, mutilating, or altering any official record or official document, except as authorized by law or contract, or causing another person to perform such an act).

A state attorney may prosecute suits charging public officials with violations of the Public Records Act, including those violations which may result in a finding of guilt for a noncriminal infraction. AGO 91-38.

### **Attachments**

Appendix D to the Government in the Sunshine Manual – Exempt and Confidential Meetings and

**D. EXEMPT AND CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS AND MEETINGS- EXEMPTION SUMMARIES.**

**It is recommended that these summaries be used as a reference only—interested parties should refer to the full text in the Florida Statutes before drawing legal conclusions.**

**Section 11.0431(2), F.S.** – The text of s. 11.0431, F.S., relating to exemptions from disclosure for legislative records, is set forth in Appendix E.

**Section 11.045(5)(b), F.S.** – The legislative committee responsible for ethical conduct of lobbyists shall make sufficient deletions in advisory opinions issued pursuant to this subsection to prevent disclosing the identity of persons in the decisions or opinions.

**Section 11.26(1), F.S.** – Subject to s. 11.0431, legislative employees may not reveal to anyone outside the area of their direct responsibility the contents or nature of any request for services made by a legislator except with the consent of the member making the request.

**Section 11.45(3)(i), F.S.** – The identity of a donor or prospective donor to the capital development board who desires to remain anonymous is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements and such anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor's report.

**Section 11.45(4)(c), F.S.** – Audit reports prepared by the Auditor General become public records when final. Audit workpapers and notes are not public records; however, those materials necessary to support the computations in the final audit report may be made available by majority vote of the Legislative Auditing Committee after a public hearing showing proper cause.

**Section 11.51(4), F.S.** -- Work papers held by the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) which relate to an authorized project or a research product are exempt.

**Section 14.28, F.S.** – All records developed or received by a state entity relating to a Board of Executive Clemency investigation are confidential and exempt from disclosure; however, such records may be released upon the approval of the Governor.

**Section 15.07, F.S.** – The journal of the executive session of the Senate shall be kept free from inspection or disclosure except upon order of the Senate or court of competent jurisdiction.

**Section 15.16(3)(c), F.S.** – Email addresses and secure login credentials held by the Department of State pursuant to the subsection are exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 16.64, F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, names, dates of birth, driver license numbers, home addresses, mailing addresses, telephone numbers, or electronic mail addresses in an application submitted to the Department of Legal Affairs by a person seeking compensation through the Dozier School for Boys and Okeechobee School Victim Compensation Program is confidential.

**Section 16.716(1)(2), F.S.** – Any information obtained by the Florida Gaming Control Commission which is exempt or confidential shall retain its exempt or confidential status. The information may be released by the commission to a governmental entity under the conditions prescribed in the exemption. Any portion of a commission meeting during which exempt or confidential information is discussed is exempt provided certain requirements are met.

**Section 17.0401, F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided by this section, information relative to an investigation by the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to s. 17.04 is confidential and exempt from disclosure until the investigation is complete or ceases to be active, or if the Chief Financial Officer submits such information to a law enforcement or prosecutorial agency, until that agency's investigation is complete or ceases to be active as that term is defined in the section.

**Section 17.076(5), F.S.** – All direct deposit records made prior to October 1, 1986, are exempt from s. 119.07(1). With respect to direct deposit records made on or after October 1, 1986, the names of the authorized financial institutions and the account numbers of the beneficiaries, as defined in the section, are confidential and exempt.

**Section 17.325(3), F.S.** – A caller on the governmental efficiency hotline established by the Chief Financial Officer under this section may remain anonymous, and, if the caller provides his or her name, the name is confidential.

**Section 20.055(6)(b), F.S.** – Inspector general audit workpapers and reports are public records to the extent that they do not include information which has been made confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). However, when the inspector general or a member of the staff receives from an individual a complaint or information that falls within the definition provided in s. 112.3187(5), the name or identity of the individual shall not be disclosed to anyone else without the individual's written consent, unless the inspector general determines that such disclosure is unavoidable during the course of the audit or investigation.

**Section 24.1051(1), F.S.** – Specified information, including records relating to security, lottery games and tickets, background checks, and nonpublic financial information about an entity that is provided in connection with financial responsibility review by the Department of the Lottery, is confidential and exempt.

**Section 24.1051(2), F.S.** – The street address and telephone number of a winner are confidential and exempt from disclosure, unless the winner consents to the release of such information, or as provided in cited statutes.

**Section 24.1051(3), F.S.** – The name of a winner of a prize valued at \$250,000 or more is confidential and exempt from disclosure for 90 days from the date the prize is claimed unless the winner consents to the release of his or her name or as provided for in cited statutes.

**Section 24.108(7)(b), F.S.** – The portion of the Lottery Department's security report that contains specific recommendations is confidential and exempt from disclosure and may be released only as authorized in the subsection.

**Section 27.151, F.S.** – An executive order assigning or exchanging state attorneys pursuant to s. 27.14 or s. 27.15, if designated by the Governor to be confidential, is confidential and exempt from disclosure. The Governor may make public any such executive order by a subsequent executive order and at the expiration of a confidential executive order or any extensions thereof, the executive order and all associated orders and reports shall be open to the public pursuant to Ch. 119 unless the information contained in the executive order is confidential pursuant to cited laws.

**Section 28.222(3)(g), F.S.** – Certified copies of death certificates authorized for issuance by the Department of Health which exclude information made confidential under s. 382.008 and certified death certificates issued by another state shall be recorded by the clerk of circuit court.

**Section 28.2221(5), F.S.** – A county recorder may not place on a publicly available Internet website for general public display information made exempt from inspection or copying under s. 119.071 or a military discharge; death certificate; or court records relating to matters or cases governed by Florida rules relating to family law, juvenile procedure, or probate.

**Section 28.47(5)(b), F.S.** – All electronic mail addresses, telephone numbers, personal and business names, and parcel identification numbers submitted to the clerk or property appraiser for the purpose of registering for a recording notification service or a related service pursuant to this section are confidential and exempt.

**Section 30.15(6), F.S.** – All information held by the Department of Law Enforcement, a law enforcement agency, a school district, or a charter school that would identify whether a person has been certified to serve as a school guardian is exempt.

**Section 39.00145(4), F.S.** – Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all state and local agencies and programs that provide services to children or that are responsible for a child's safety, including the listed agencies, and any provider contracting with such agencies, may share with each other confidential records or information if the records or information are reasonably necessary to ensure access to appropriate services for the child. However, records or information

made confidential by federal law may not be shared. Also, this subsection does not apply to information concerning clients and records of certified domestic violence centers which are confidential under s. 39.908 and privileged under s. 90.5036.

**Section 39.0132(3), F.S.** – The clerk shall keep official records required by this chapter separate from other court records. The records may be inspected only upon court order by persons deemed to have a proper interest therein, except that, subject to s. 63.162, a child, and the parents of the child and their attorneys, guardian ad litem, criminal conflict and civil regional counsels, law enforcement agencies, the Department of Children and Families and its designees, and the attorney ad litem, if one is appointed, always have a right to inspect and copy official records pertaining to the child.

**Section 39.0132(4)(a)1., F.S.** -- All information obtained pursuant to this part in the discharge of official duty by any of the officials specified in the subsection is confidential and may not be disclosed to anyone other than persons entitled to receive such information under Ch. 39 or upon court order.

**Section 39.0132(4)(a)2., F.S.** – The following information held by a guardian ad litem is confidential and exempt: medical, mental health, substance abuse, child care, education, law enforcement, court, social services, and financial records; and any other information maintained by a guardian ad litem which is identified as confidential information under Ch. 39, F.S. Such confidential and exempt information may not be disclosed to anyone except as authorized in the exemption.

**Section 39.101(3)(b), F.S.** – The Department of Children and Families shall maintain the confidentiality of the telephone number, or Internet protocol (IP) address from which the report was received by the central abuse hotline which is included in the abuse report pursuant to this subsection in the same manner as given to the identity of the reporter pursuant to s. 39.202.

**Section 39.202(1)(2), F.S.** – Except as provided in this chapter, all records held by the Department of Children and Families concerning reports of child abandonment, abuse or neglect including reports made to the central abuse hotline and all records generated as a result of such reports are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall not be disclosed except as specifically authorized by this chapter. Such exemption from s. 119.07(1) applies to information in possession of those entities granted access pursuant to this section.

**Section 39.202(2)(o), F.S.** – Access to records concerning reports of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect shall be granted to any person in the event of the death of a child determined to be a result of abuse, abandonment, or neglect. Information identifying the person reporting abuse, abandonment, or neglect shall not be released, nor shall any information otherwise made confidential or exempt by law.

**Section 39.202(5), F.S.** – The name of, or other identifying information with respect to, any person reporting child abuse, abandonment, or neglect shall not be released to any person except as authorized in the subsection, without the written consent of the reporter.

**Section 39.202(6), F.S.** – All records and reports of the Child Protection Team of the Department of Health are confidential and exempt from ss. 119.07(1) and 456.057, and shall not be disclosed, except as provided in the subsection.

**Section 39.301(18), F.S.** – When the initial interview with the child in a child protective investigation or criminal investigation is conducted at school in the presence of school staff, information received during the interview or from any other source regarding the alleged abuse or neglect of the child shall be confidential and exempt, except as otherwise provided by court order.

**Section 39.507(2), F.S.** – Dependency adjudicatory hearings are open to the public, unless by special order the court determines that the public interest or welfare of the child is best served by closing the hearing.

**Section 39.510(4) and (5), F.S.** – The case on appeal in a dependency proceeding and any papers filed in appellate court shall be entitled with child's initials. The papers shall remain sealed

and shall not be open to public inspection. The original order of the appellate court with papers filed in an appeal shall be sealed and not open to inspection except by order of the appellate court.

**Section 39.702(5)(d), F.S.** – An independent not-for-profit agency authorized to administer a citizen review panel established to make recommendations concerning foster care as provided in this section shall ensure that all panel members have read, understood, and signed an oath of confidentiality relating to written or verbal information provided to members for review hearings.

**Section 39.809(4), F.S.** – All hearings involving termination of parental rights are confidential and closed to the public.

**Section 39.814(3) and (4), F.S.** – All court records required by this part (termination of parental rights) shall be kept separate from other records. Such records are not open to public inspection. All information obtained pursuant to this part by officials specified therein shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and may not be disclosed to anyone other than the authorized officials and agencies, except by court order.

**Section 39.815(4) and (5), F.S.** – An appeal in a case involving a termination of parental rights must be docketed, and any papers filed in the appellate court must be titled with the initials, but not the name, of the child and the court case number, and the papers must remain sealed in the office of the appellate court clerk when not in use by the court and may not be open to public inspection. The original order of the appellate court, with all papers filed in the case on appeal, must remain in the clerk's office, sealed and not open to inspection except by court order.

**Section 39.821(1), F.S.** – Information collected pursuant to the security background investigation for a guardian ad litem is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 39.827(4), F.S.** – The hearing for appointment of a guardian advocate is confidential. The court records are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and may be inspected only upon court order or by the persons and entities identified in the subsection. All information obtained pursuant to this part is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall not be disclosed to anyone other than authorized personnel of the court or the Department of Children and Families and its designees, except upon court order.

**Section 39.908, F.S.** – Information about clients received by the Department of Children and Families or by authorized persons employed by or volunteering services to a domestic violence center, through files, reports, inspection or otherwise is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Except as provided in the section, information about the location of domestic violence centers and facilities is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 40.50(2), F.S.** – The court should emphasize the confidentiality of notes taken by jurors as provided in this subsection.

**Section 44.102(3), F.S.** – All written communications in a court-ordered mediation proceeding, other than an executed settlement agreement, shall be exempt from the requirements of Ch. 119.

**Section 44.201(5), F.S.** – Any information relating to a dispute which is obtained by any person while performing any duties for a Citizen Dispute Settlement Center is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 44.405(1), F.S.** – Except as provided in the section, mediation communications, as defined in the Mediation Confidentiality and Privilege Act, are confidential.

**Section 44.407(9), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, eldercaring coordination communications, as defined in the exemption, are confidential.

**Section 61.1827, F.S.** – Any information that reveals the identity of applicants for or recipients of child-support services, including the name, address, and telephone number of such persons, held by a non-Title IV-D county child-support enforcement agency is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements.



**Section 61.183(3), F.S.** – Information concerning mediation proceedings involving contested issues relating to custody parental responsibility, primary residence, access to, visitation with, or support of a child pursuant to this section which is obtained by any person performing mediation duties is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 61.404, F.S.** – A guardian ad litem shall maintain as confidential all information and documents received from any source described in s. 61.403(2) and may not disclose such information or documents except, in the guardian ad litem’s discretion, in a report to the court or as directed by the court.

**Section 63.022(4)(i), F.S.** – The records of all proceedings concerning custody and adoption of a minor are confidential and exempt except as provided in s. 63.162.

**Section 63.0541, F.S.** – All information contained in the Florida Putative Father Registry is confidential and exempt except as provided in the section.

**Section 63.089(8), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, all records relating to a petition to terminate parental rights pending adoption are subject to the provisions of s. 63.162, F.S.

**Section 63.102(1), F.S.** – Except for a joint petition for the adoption of a stepchild, a relative, or an adult, any name by which the minor was previously known may not be disclosed in the petition for adoption, the notice of hearing, or the judgment of adoption, or the court docket as provided in s. 63.162(3).

**Section 63.162(1), F.S.** – Hearings held in proceedings under the Florida Adoption Act are closed.

**Section 63.162(2), F.S.** – All papers and records pertaining to an adoption are confidential and subject to inspection only upon court order except as provided in s. 63.162(4), authorizing disclosure without a court order in certain circumstances. Adoption papers and records of the Department of Children and Families, a court, or any other governmental agency are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 63.162(6), F.S.** – Except as provided in s. 63.162(4), identifying information regarding birth parents, adoptive parents, and adoptees may not be disclosed unless a birth parent, adoptive parent, or adoptee has authorized in writing the release of such information concerning himself or herself.

**Section 63.165(1), F.S.** – Except as provided in this section, information in the state registry of adoption information is confidential and exempt.

**Section 68.083(8), F.S.** – The complaint and information held by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to an investigation of a violation of the False Claims Act is confidential and exempt and may not be disclosed until the investigation is complete, or as otherwise provided in the exemption.

**Section 69.081(8), F.S.** – Any portion of an agreement which conceals information relating to the settlement or resolution of any claim or action against an agency is void, contrary to public policy and may not be enforced.

**Section 73.0155, F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, specified business information provided by the owner of a business to a governmental condemning authority as part of an offer of business damages is confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements, if the owner requests in writing that the business information be held confidential and exempt.

**Section 90.502(5), F.S.** – Communications made by a person who seeks or receives services from the Department of Revenue under the child support enforcement program to the attorney representing the department shall be confidential and privileged and shall not be disclosed to anyone other than the agency except as provided in this section.

**Section 92.56, F.S.** – The confidential and exempt status of criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information made confidential and exempt pursuant to s.

119.071(2)(h) must be maintained in court records pursuant to s. 119.0714(1)(h) and in court proceedings, including testimony from witnesses.

**Section 97.057(2)(a)4. and 5., F.S.** – All declinations to register to vote pursuant to this section (relating to voter registration by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles) will remain confidential and may be used only for voter registration purposes. The particular driver license office in which the person applies to register to vote or updates a voter registration record will remain confidential and may be used only for voter registration purposes.

**Section 97.0585, F.S.** – The following information held by an agency and obtained for the purpose of voter registration is confidential and exempt and may be used only for purposes of voter registration: declinations to register to vote made pursuant to ss. 97.057 and 97.058; information relating to the place where a person registered to vote or where a person updated a voter registration; the social security number, driver license number, and Florida identification number of a voter registration applicant or voter; and all information concerning preregistered voter registration applicants who are 16 or 17 years of age. The signature of a voter registration applicant or a voter is exempt from the copying requirements. Information made confidential and exempt under this section may be disclosed to another governmental entity if disclosure is necessary for the receiving entity to perform required duties related to election administration.

**Section 98.045(3), F.S.** – Each supervisor shall maintain for at least 2 years and make available for public inspection and copying, all records concerning implementation of registration list maintenance programs and activities conducted pursuant to cited statutes. The records must include lists of the name and address of each person to whom a notice was sent and information as to whether each such person responded to the mailing, but may not include any information that is confidential or exempt from public records requirements under the Election Code.

**Section 98.075(2)(c), F.S.** – Information received by the Department of State from another state or the District of Columbia upon the department becoming a member of the nongovernmental entity provided in this subsection to share and exchange information in order to verify voter registration information, which is confidential or exempt pursuant to the laws of that state or the District of Columbia, is exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 101.5607(1)(d), F.S.** – Section 119.071(1)(f) which provides an exemption from s. 119.07(1) for data processing software designated as sensitive, applies to all software on file with the Department of State.

**Section 101.62(2), F.S.** – Information regarding a request for a vote-by-mail ballot that is recorded by the supervisor of elections pursuant to this subsection is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall be made available to or reproduced only for the individuals and entities set forth in the exemption, for political purposes only.

**Section 106.0706, F.S.** – All user identifications and passwords held by the Department of State pursuant to s. 106.0705 are confidential and exempt from disclosure. Information entered in the electronic filing system for purposes of generating a report pursuant to s. 106.0705 is exempt but is no longer exempt once the report is generated and filed with the Division of Elections.

**Section 106.25(7), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in the subsection, sworn complaints filed pursuant to Ch. 106 with the Florida Elections Commission, investigative reports or other papers of the commission relating to a violation of Chs. 106 or 104, and proceedings of the commission relating to a violation of said chapters are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 286.011.

**Section 110.1091(2), F.S.** – A state employee's personal identifying information contained in records held by the employing agency relating to an employee's participation in an employee assistance program is confidential and exempt.

**Section 110.1127(2)(d) and (e), F.S.** – It is a first degree misdemeanor to willfully use information contained in records obtained pursuant to employment screening required for certain positions for purposes other than background screening or investigation for employment, or to

release such information to other persons for purposes other than preemployment screening or investigation. It is a felony of the third degree for any person willfully, knowingly, or intentionally to use juvenile records information for any purpose other than those specified in this section or to release such information to other persons for purposes other than those specified in the section.

**Section 110.123(5)(a), F.S.** – A physician’s fee schedule used in the health and accident plan is not available for inspection or copying by medical providers or other persons not involved in the administration of the state group insurance program.

**Section 110.123(10), F.S.** – Patient medical records and medical claims records of state employees, former state employees, and their eligible covered dependents, in the custody or control of the state group insurance program are confidential and exempt.

**Section 110.12301(3), F.S.** – Records collected for the purpose of dependent eligibility verification services conducted for the state group insurance program and held by the Department of Management Services are confidential and exempt. This subsection does not apply to records that are otherwise open for inspection and copying which are held by the Department for purposes other than for the performance of dependent eligibility verification services.

**Section 110.201(4), F.S.** – All discussions between the Department of Management Services and the Governor, and between the Department of Management Services and the Administration Commission, or agency heads, or between any of their respective representatives, relative to collective bargaining, are exempt from s. 286.011 and all work products relative to collective bargaining developed in conjunction with such discussions are confidential and exempt.

**Section 112.0455(8)(l), F.S.** – All documentation relative to a state agency employer’s explanation as to why a job applicant or employee’s explanation of positive drug test results is unsatisfactory, along with the report of the positive test results, are confidential and exempt.

**Section 112.0455(8)(t), F.S.** – The documentation prepared by a state agency employer which formed the basis of the employer’s determination that reasonable suspicion existed to warrant drug testing under this section is confidential and exempt, except that a copy of this documentation shall be given to the employee upon request.

**Section 112.0455(11)(a), F.S.** – Except as provided in the subsection, all information, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda, and drug test results, written or otherwise, received or produced as a result of a state agency’s drug testing program are confidential and are exempt from disclosure except as provided in this section.

**Section 112.08(7), F.S.** -- Medical records and medical claims records in the custody of county or municipal government relating to county or municipal employees, former county or municipal employees, or eligible dependents of such employees enrolled in a county or municipal group insurance plan or self-insurance plan are confidential and are exempt from s. 119.07(1). Such records shall not be furnished to any person other than the employee or the employee’s legal representative, except as provided in the subsection.

**Section 112.08(8), F.S.** – Patient medical records and medical claims records of water management district employees, former employees, and eligible dependents in the custody or control of a water management district under its group insurance plan established pursuant to s. 373.605 are confidential and exempt. Such records shall not be furnished to any person other than the employee or the employee’s legal representative except as provided in the subsection.

**Section 112.21(1), F.S.** – All records identifying individual participants in any contract or account under s. 112.21 (relating to tax-sheltered annuities or custodial accounts for governmental employees) and their personal account activities are confidential and exempt.

**Section 112.215(7), F.S.** – All records identifying individual participants in any deferred compensation plan and their personal account activities shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 112.31446(6)(a), F.S.** – All secure login credentials held by the Commission on Ethics for the purpose of allowing access to the electronic filing system are exempt from disclosure

requirements.

**Section 112.31446(6)(b), F.S.**, – Information entered in the electronic filing system for purposes of financial disclosure is exempt from disclosure requirements. The information is no longer exempt once the disclosure of financial interests or statement of financial interests is submitted to the Commission on Ethics or, in the case of a candidate, filed with a qualifying officer, whichever occurs first.

**Section 112.3188(1), F.S.** – The identity of an individual who discloses in good faith to the Chief Inspector General, an agency inspector general, a local chief executive officer, or other appropriate local official information that alleges that an employee or agent of an agency or independent contractor has violated certain laws or committed, or is suspected of committing, specified acts may not be disclosed to anyone other than staff of the above officials without the written consent of the individual, unless such official determines that disclosure is authorized for the reasons specified in the subsection.

**Section 112.3188(2), F.S.** – Except as specifically authorized by s. 112.3189, or this subsection, all information received by the Chief Inspector General or an agency inspector general or information produced or derived from fact-finding or other investigations conducted by the Department of Law Enforcement or the Florida Commission on Human Relations, is confidential and exempt from disclosure if the information is being received or derived from allegations as set forth in subsection (1) and an investigation is active. All information received by a local chief executive officer or appropriate local official or information produced or derived from fact-finding or investigations conducted by a local government pursuant to s. 112.3187(8) (b), is confidential and exempt if the information is received or derived from allegations as set forth in s. 112.3188(1)(a) or (b) and the investigation is active.

**Section 112.31901, F.S.** – If certified pursuant to the exemption, an investigatory record of the Chief Inspector General within the Office of the Governor or of the employee designated by an agency head as the agency inspector general under s. 112.3189 is exempt from disclosure requirements for the time period specified in the exemption. The provisions of this section do not apply to whistle-blower investigations conducted pursuant to the whistle-blower act.

**Section 112.3215(8)(b), F.S.** – All proceedings, the complaint, and other records relating to the investigation of a sworn complaint of a violation of this section which relates to executive branch and Constitution Revision Commission lobbyists, and any meeting held pursuant to the investigation, are confidential and exempt from disclosure until the alleged violator requests in writing that such investigation and associated records and meetings be made public, or until the Ethics Commission determines whether probable cause exists to believe that a violation has occurred.

**Section 112.3215(8)(e), F.S.** – Records relating to an audit of a lobbying firm lobbying the executive branch or the Constitution Revision Commission or an investigation of violations of the lobbying compensation reporting laws and any meetings held pursuant to the investigation or at which such an audit is discussed are exempt from public records and meetings requirements either until the lobbying firm requests in writing that such records and meetings be made public or until the Commission on Ethics determines there is probable cause that the audit reflects a violation of the reporting laws.

**Section 112.324(2), F.S.** – The complaint and records relating to the complaint or to any preliminary investigation held by the Ethics Commission or other specified entities are confidential and exempt from public disclosure. Written referrals and records relating to such referrals held by the Commission and referring entities, and records relating to any preliminary investigation of such referrals held by the Commission are confidential and exempt. Any portion of a proceeding conducted by the Commission or other specified entities pursuant to a complaint or referral are exempt from open meetings requirements. The above exemptions apply until: the complaint is dismissed as legally insufficient; the alleged violator requests in writing that such records and proceedings be made public; the Commission determines that it will not investigate a referral; or the Commission or other listed entity determines whether probable cause exists to believe that a violation has occurred.

**Section 112.532(4)(b), F.S.** – The contents of the complaint and investigation must remain confidential until such time as the employing law enforcement agency makes a final determination whether to issue a notice of disciplinary action consisting of suspension with loss of pay, demotion, or dismissal.

**Section 112.533(5)(a), F.S.** – A complaint filed against a law enforcement officer or correctional officer with a law enforcement agency or correctional agency and all information obtained pursuant to the investigation of the complaint is confidential until the investigation ceases to be active, or until the agency head or agency head's designee provides written notice to the officer who is the subject of the complaint, that the agency has concluded the investigation with either a finding: Not to proceed with disciplinary action or to file charges; or to proceed with disciplinary action or to file charges.

**Section 119.071(1)(a), F.S.** – Examination questions and answer sheets of examinations administered for the purpose of licensure, certification, or employment are exempt. A person who has taken the examination has the right to review his or her own completed examination.

**Section 119.071(1)(b), F.S.** – Sealed bids, proposals, or replies received by an agency pursuant to a competitive solicitation, as defined in the exemption, are exempt until such time as the agency provides notice of an intended decision or until 30 days after opening the bids, proposals, or final replies, whichever is earlier. If an agency rejects all bids, proposals, or replies submitted in response to a competitive solicitation and the agency concurrently provides notice of its intent to reissue the competitive solicitation, the rejected bids, proposals, or replies remain exempt until the agency provides notice of an intended decision concerning the reissued competitive solicitation or until the agency withdraws the reissued competitive solicitation. A bid, proposal, or reply is not exempt for longer than 12 months after the initial agency notice rejecting all bids, proposals, or replies.

**Section 119.071(1)(c), F.S.** – Any financial statement or other information necessary to verify the financial adequacy of a prospective bidder which an agency requires a prospective bidder to submit in order to prequalify for bidding or for responding to a solicitation for a road or any other public works project is exempt.

**Section 119.071(1)(d), F.S.** – A public record prepared by an agency attorney or prepared at the attorney's express direction, that reflects a mental impression, conclusion, litigation strategy, or legal theory of the attorney or the agency, and that was prepared exclusively for civil or criminal litigation or for adversarial administrative proceedings, or that was prepared in anticipation of imminent litigation or proceedings, is exempt until the conclusion of the litigation or proceedings.

**Section 119.071(1)(e), F.S.** – Any videotape or video signal that, under an agreement with an agency, is produced, made, or received by, or is in the custody of, a federally licensed radio or television station or its agent is exempt.

**Section 119.071(1)(f), F.S.** – Agency-produced software that is sensitive is exempt.

**Section 119.071(1)(g), F.S.** – Information relating to communications services locations, project proposals, and challenges submitted to the Department of Commerce under s. 288.9962, or pursuant to a federal broadband access grant program implemented by the department, is confidential and exempt, if such information is not otherwise publicly available and release would reveal information specified in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(2)(a), F.S.** – All criminal intelligence and criminal investigative information received by a criminal justice agency prior to January 25, 1979, is exempt.

**Section 119.071(2)(b), F.S.** – Whenever criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information held by a non-Florida criminal justice agency is available to a Florida criminal justice agency only on a confidential or similarly restricted basis, the Florida criminal justice agency may obtain and use such information in accordance with the conditions imposed by the providing agency.

**Section 119.071(2)(c), F.S.** – Active criminal intelligence information and active criminal investigative information are exempt. A request by made by a law enforcement agency to inspect or copy a public record that is in the custody of another agency and the custodian's response to the request, and any information that would identify whether a law enforcement agency has requested or received that public record are exempt, during the period in which the information constitutes active criminal intelligence information or active criminal investigative information.

**Section 119.071(2)(d), F.S.** – Any information revealing surveillance techniques or procedures or personnel is exempt. Any comprehensive inventory of state and local law enforcement resources compiled pursuant to cited statute, and any comprehensive policies or plans compiled by a criminal justice agency pertaining to the mobilization, deployment, or tactical operations involved in responding to an emergency, as defined in cited statute, are exempt, and unavailable for inspection except by cited agencies.

**Section 119.071(2)(e), F.S.** – Any information revealing the substance of a confession of a person arrested is exempt, until such time as the criminal case is finally determined by adjudication, dismissal, or other final disposition.

**Section 119.071(2)(f), F.S.** – Any information revealing the identity of a confidential informant or source is exempt.

**Section 119.071(2)(g)1., F.S.** – All complaints or other records in the custody of any agency which relate to a complaint of discrimination relating to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicap, or marital status in connection with specified employment related activities are exempt until a finding is made relating to probable cause, the investigation of the complaint becomes inactive, or the complaint or other record is made part of the official record of any hearing or proceeding. The exemption does not affect any function or activity of the Florida Commission on Human Relations. Disclosure is authorized to governmental agencies as provided in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(2)(g)2., F.S.** – If an alleged victim chooses not to file a complaint and requests that records of the complaint remain confidential all records relating to an allegation of employment discrimination are confidential and exempt.

**Section 119.071(2)(h), F.S.** – The following criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information is confidential and exempt: any information that reveals the identity of the victim of the crime of child abuse as defined by ch. 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. 786.06(3) (a); any information which may reveal the identity of a victim of any sexual offense including a sexual offense proscribed in cited statutes; a photograph, videotape, or image of any part of the body of the victim of a sexual offense prohibited under cited statutes, regardless of whether the photograph, videotape, or image identifies the victim. Disclosure is authorized under the circumstances cited in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(2)(i), F.S.** – Any criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information that reveals the personal assets of the victim of a crime, other than property stolen or destroyed during the commission of the crime, is exempt.

**Section 119.071(2)(j)1., F.S.** – Any document that reveals the identity, home or employment telephone number, home or employment address, or personal assets of the victim of a crime and identifies that person as the victim of a crime, which document is received by an agency that regularly receives information from or concerning the victims of crime, is exempt. Any information not otherwise exempt which reveals specified information of a person who has been a victim of stated crimes is exempt upon written request of the victim which must include official verification that an applicable crime has occurred. The exemption ends 5 years after the receipt of the written request.

**Section 119.071(2)(j)2., F.S.** – Any information in a videotaped statement of a minor who is alleged to be or who is a victim of sexual battery, lewd acts, or other sexual misconduct proscribed in cited statutes, which reveals specified information about that minor and identifies



that minor as the victim of a crime described in cited statutes is confidential and exempt.

**Section 119.071(2)(k), F.S.** – A complaint of misconduct filed with an agency against an agency employee and all information obtained pursuant to an investigation by the agency of the complaint of misconduct is confidential until the investigation ceases to be active or the agency provides written notice to the employee who is the subject of the complaint in the manner provided in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(2)(l), F.S.** – A body camera recording, or portion thereof, is confidential and exempt if the recording is taken within the locations specified in the exemption. Disclosure is authorized or required in specified circumstances.

**Section 119.071(2)(m), F.S.** – Criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information that reveals the personal identifying information of a witness to a murder, as described in cited statute, is confidential and exempt for 2 years after the date on which the murder is observed by the witness. Criminal justice agencies are authorized to disclose the information under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(2)(n), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of the alleged victim in an allegation of sexual harassment or the victim of sexual harassment is confidential and exempt if such information identifies that person as an alleged victim or as a victim of sexual harassment. Such information may be disclosed to another governmental entity in the furtherance of its official duties. Confidentiality may be waived in writing by the victim or the alleged victim.

**Section 119.071(2)(o), F.S.** – The address of a victim of an incident of mass violence is exempt. For purposes of the exemption, the term “victim” means a person killed or injured during an incident of mass violence, not including the perpetrator. The term “incident of mass violence” means an incident in which 4 or more people, not including the perpetrator, are severely injured or killed by an intentional and indiscriminate act of violence of another.

**Section 119.071(2)(p), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, photographs, videos, or audio recordings that depict or record the killing of a law enforcement officer who was acting in accordance with his or her official duties, the killing of a victim of mass violence or the killing of a minor, or the suicide of a person, as these terms are defined in the exemption are confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 119.071(2)(q), F.S.** – Conviction integrity unit reinvestigation information, as defined in the exemption, is exempt from disclosure for a reasonable period of time during an active, ongoing, and good faith investigation of an actual innocence claim in a case that previously resulted in the conviction of the accused person and until the claim is no longer capable of further investigation.

**Section 119.071(2)(r), F.S.** – Investigative genetic genealogy information and materials as defined in the exemption are confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements. Certain disclosures are authorized.

**Section 119.071(3)(a), F.S.** – A security or firesafety system plan, as defined in the exemption, or a portion thereof for a property owned by or leased to the state or any of its political subdivisions; or for any privately owned or leased property held by an agency is confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(3)(b), F.S.** – Building plans, blueprints, schematic drawings and diagrams which depict the internal layout and structural elements of a building, arena, stadium, water treatment facility, or other structure owned or operated by an agency are exempt. Disclosure is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(3)(c), F.S.** – Building plans, blueprints, schematic drawings, and diagrams which depict the internal layout or structural elements of an attractions and recreation facility, entertainment or resort complex, industrial complex, retail and service development, office development, health care facility, or hotel or motel development, as these terms are defined in the exemption, which records are held by an agency, are exempt.

**Section 119.071(3)(d), F.S.** – Information relating to the National Public Safety Broadband Network established in cited federal law which is held by an agency is confidential and exempt if disclosure would reveal information cited in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(3)(e), F.S.** – Building plans and other specified records that depict the structural elements of 911, E911, or public safety radio communication system infrastructure, structures, or facilities owned and operated by an agency, and geographical maps showing the actual or proposed locations of such communication system infrastructure, structures, or facilities are exempt. Disclosure is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(4)(a), F.S.** – The social security number of all current and former agency employees which are held by the employing agency are confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the section.

**Section 119.071(4)(b)1., F.S.** – Medical information pertaining to a prospective, current, or former officer or employee of an agency which, if disclosed, would identify that officer or employee is exempt. However, the information may be disclosed if the person to whom the information pertains or the person's legal representative provides written permission or pursuant to court order.

**Section 119.071(4)(b)2., F.S.** – Personal identifying information of a dependent child, as defined in cited statute, of a current or former officer of employee of an agency, which dependent child is insured by an agency group insurance plan, is exempt.

**Section 119.071(4)(c), F.S.** – Any information revealing undercover personnel of any criminal justice agency is exempt.

**Section 119.071(4)(d), F.S.** – Home addresses, telephone numbers, and other specified personal information of specified current and former public employees and officers and their families are exempt. For more information, please refer to the text of the Florida Statutes at [www.leg.state.fl.us](http://www.leg.state.fl.us) or you may review pages 144-155 of this Manual.

**Section 119.071(4)(e), F.S.** – Law enforcement geolocation information, as defined in the exemption, that is held by a law enforcement agency is exempt. The exemption does not apply to traffic citations, crash reports, homicide reports, arrest reports, or any other official reports issued by an agency which contain law enforcement geolocation information. Disclosure is authorized under specified circumstances.

**Section 119.071(5)(a), F.S.** – Social security numbers held by an agency are confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(5)(b), F.S.** – Bank account numbers and debit, charge, and credit card numbers held by an agency are exempt.

**Section 119.071(5)(c), F.S.** – Information that would identify or locate a child, as that term is defined in the exemption, who participates in a government-sponsored recreation program, as that term is defined in the exemption, is exempt. Information that would identify or locate a parent or guardian of the child participant is exempt.

**Section 119.071(5)(d), F.S.** – All records supplied by a telecommunications company, as defined by cited statute, to an agency which contain the name, address, and telephone number of subscribers are confidential and exempt.

**Section 119.071(5)(e), F.S.** – Any information provided to an agency for the purpose of forming ridesharing arrangements, which information reveals the identity of an individual who has provided his or her name for ridesharing, as defined in cited statute, is exempt.

**Section 119.071(5)(f)1.a. and b., F.S.** – The following information held by the Department of Commerce, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, a county, a municipality, or a local housing finance agency is confidential and exempt: Medical history records and information related to health or property insurance provided by an applicant for or a participant in a federal, state, or local housing assistance program; and property photographs and personal



identifying information of an applicant for or a participant in a federal, state, or local housing assistance program for the purpose of disaster recovery assistance for a presidentially declared disaster. Disclosure is authorized under specified circumstances.

**Section 119.071(5)(g), F.S.** – Biometric identification information, as defined in the exemption, held by an agency before, on, or after the effective date of this exemption is exempt.

**Section 119.071(5)(h), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of an applicant for or a recipient of paratransit services which is held by an agency is confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 119.071(5)(i), F.S.** – Identification location information, as defined in the exemption, of current or former federal prosecutors, judges, and magistrates and their spouses and children is exempt, provided that certain conditions are met.

**Section 119.071(5)(j), F.S.** – Any information furnished by a person to an agency for the purpose of being provided with emergency notification by the agency is exempt.

**Section 119.0711, F.S.** – When an agency of the executive branch of state government seeks to acquire real property by purchase or through the exercise of eminent domain, all appraisals, other reports relating to value, offers, and counter offers are exempt until execution of a valid option contract, as defined in the exemption, or a written offer to sell that has been conditionally accepted by the agency, at which time the exemption shall expire. An agency of the executive branch may exempt title information, including names and addresses of property owners whose property is subject to acquisition by purchase or through the exercise of the power of eminent domain, from disclosure requirements to the same extent as appraisals, other reports relating to value, offers, and counteroffers.

**Section 119.0712(1), F.S.** – All personal identifying information contained in records relating to an individual's personal health or eligibility for health-related services held by the Department of Health is confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements. Information made confidential and exempt by this subsection shall be disclosed with the express written consent of the individual or the individual's legal authorized representative; in a medical emergency, but only to the extent necessary to protect the health or life of the individual; by court order upon good cause; or to a health research agency under the conditions set forth in the subsection.

**Section 119.0712(2)(b), F.S.** – Personal information, including highly restricted personal information as defined in cited federal law, contained in a motor vehicle record, as defined in the exemption, is confidential pursuant to the federal Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994, 18 U.S.C. ss 2721 et. seq. Such information may be released only as authorized by that act; however, information received pursuant to that act may not be used for mass commercial solicitation of clients for litigation against motor vehicle dealers.

**Section 119.0712(2)(c), F.S.** – E-mail addresses collected by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles pursuant to cited statutes are exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 119.0712(2)(d), F.S.** – Emergency contact information contained in a motor vehicle record, is confidential and exempt. Without the express consent of the person to whom such emergency contact information applies, the emergency contact information contained in motor vehicle record may be released only to law enforcement agencies for purposes of contacting those listed in an emergency, or to a receiving facility, hospital, or licensed detoxification or addictions receiving facility pursuant to cited statutes for the sole purpose of informing a patient's emergency contacts of the patient's whereabouts.

**Section 119.0712(2)(f)1, F.S.** – Secure login credentials, as defined in the exemption, that are held by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles are exempt.

**Section 119.0712(2)(f)2, F.S.** – Internet protocol addresses, geolocation data, and other information held by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles which describes the location, computer, computer system, or computer network from which a user accesses a public-

facing portal, as defined in the exemption, and the dates and times that a user accesses the portal, are exempt.

**Section 119.0712(3), F.S.** – The following information held by the Office of Financial Regulation is confidential: Any information received from another state or federal regulatory, administrative, or criminal justice agency that is otherwise confidential or exempt pursuant to the laws of that state or pursuant to federal law; any information received or developed by the Office as part of a joint or multiagency examination or investigation with such agencies.

**Section 119.0712(4), F.S.** – Information held by the Department of Military Affairs that is stored in a United States Department of Defense system of records, transmitted using a United States Department of Defense network or communications device, or pertaining to the United States Department of Defense, pursuant to cited federal law, is exempt.

**Section 119.0713(1), F.S.** – All complaints and other records in the custody of any unit of local government which relate to a complaint of discrimination relating to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicap, marital status, sale or rental of housing, the provision of brokerage services, or the financing of housing are exempt until a finding is made relating to probable cause, the investigation of the complaint becomes inactive, or the complaint or other record is made part of the official record of any hearing or court proceeding. This provision does not affect any function or activity of the Florida Commission on Human Relations. Access by specified agencies is authorized.

**Section 119.0713(2), F.S.** – The audit report of an internal auditor and the investigative report of the inspector general prepared for or on behalf of a unit of local government, as defined in the exemption, becomes a public record when the audit report or investigative report becomes final. An audit or investigation becomes final when it is presented to the unit of local government. Audit workpapers and notes related to such audit and information received, produced, or derived from an investigation are confidential until the audit or investigation is complete and the audit report becomes final or when the investigation is no longer active. An investigation is active if it is continuing with a reasonable, good faith anticipation of resolution and with reasonable dispatch.

**Section 119.0713(3), F.S.** – Any data, record, or document used directly or solely by a municipally owned utility to prepare and submit a bid relative to the sale, distribution, or use of any service, commodity, or tangible personal property to any customer or prospective customer is exempt. The exemption commences when a municipal utility identifies in writing a specific bid to which it intends to respond, and no longer applies when the conditions occur as set forth in the exemption.

**Section 119.0713(4), F.S.** – Proprietary confidential information, as defined in the exemption, which is held by an electric utility that is subject to Ch. 119 in conjunction with a due diligence review of an electric project, as defined in cited statute, or a project to improve the delivery, cost, or diversification of fuel or renewable energy resources is confidential and exempt.

**Section 119.0713(5)(a), F.S.** – The following information held by a utility owned or operated by a unit of local government is exempt from public disclosure requirements: Specified security technology information and customer meter-derived data and billing information in increments less than one billing cycle.

**Section 119.0715, F.S.** – A trade secret, as defined in s. 688.002, that is held by an agency is confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized to an officer or employee of another agency or governmental entity whose use of the trade secret is within the scope of his or her responsibilities.

**Section 119.0725(2)(3)(5), F.S.** – The following information held by an agency is confidential and exempt: Coverage limits and deductible or self-insurance amounts of insurance or other risk mitigation coverages acquired for the protection of information technology systems, operational technology systems, or data of an agency; information relating to critical infrastructure; cybersecurity incident information reported pursuant to cited statutes; specified information that identifies detection, investigation, or response practices for suspected or confirmed cybersecurity

incidents, if disclosure would facilitate unauthorized access to or unauthorized modification, disclosure, or destruction of data or information as specified in the exemption. Any portion of a meeting revealing information made confidential under subsection (2) is exempt from open meetings requirements. The exempt portion may not be off the record and must be recorded and transcribed; the recording and transcription are confidential and exempt. Disclosure of confidential information is authorized as provided in the exemption.

**Section 121.031(5), F.S.** – The names and addresses of retirees are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) to the extent that no state or local governmental agency may provide the names or addresses of such persons in aggregate, compiled, or list form to any person except as authorized in the subsection.

**Section 121.4501(19), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of a member in the investment plan contained in Florida Retirement System records held by the State Board of Administration or the Department of Management Services is exempt from public disclosure requirements.

**Section 125.0104(3)(h), F.S.** – Department of Revenue records showing the amount of tourist development taxes collected, including the amount of taxes collected for and from each county in which the tourist development tax is applicable, are open for inspection except as provided in s. 213.053.

**Section 125.0104(9)(d)1., F.S.** – Information given to a county tourism promotion agency which, if released, would reveal the identity of persons or entities who provide information as a response to a sales promotion effort, an advertisement, or a research project or whose names, addresses, meeting or convention plan information or accommodations or other visitation needs become booking or reservation list data, is exempt from disclosure.

**Section 125.0104(9)(d)2., F.S.** – When held by a county tourism promotion agency, the following are exempt from disclosure: booking business records, as defined in s. 255.047; trade secrets and commercial or financial information gathered from a person and privileged or confidential, as defined and interpreted under 5 U.S.C. s. 552(b)(4).

**Section 125.012(26), F.S.** – Pursuant to authorization granted by this section concerning certain transportation-related projects defined in s. 125.011, a board of county commissioners is empowered to maintain the confidentiality of trade information and data to the extent that such information is protected under applicable federal and federally-enforced patent and copyright laws.

**Section 125.025, F.S.** – Pursuant to authorization granted by this section concerning operation of export trading companies, a board of county commissioners is empowered to maintain the confidentiality of trade information to the extent such information is protected under applicable federal export trading company law, and under federal and federally enforced patent and copyright laws.

**Section 125.355(1), F.S.** – Appraisals, offers, and counteroffers relating to a county's purchase of real property pursuant to this section are not available for public disclosure and are exempt from s. 119.07(1) until an option contract is executed or, if no option contract is executed, until 30 days before a contract or agreement for purchase is considered for approval by the board of county commissioners. If a contract or agreement for purchase is not submitted to the board for approval, then the exemption from s. 119.07(1) expires 30 days after the negotiations end. A county that does not utilize the exemptions provided in this section may follow any procedure not in conflict with Ch. 119 for the purchase of real property which is authorized in its charter or established by ordinance.

**Section 125.585(2), F.S.** – A county employee's personal identifying information contained in records held by the employing county relating to that employee's participation in an employee assistance program is confidential and exempt.

**Section 125.901(11), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of a child or the parent or guardian of the child, held by a council on children's services, juvenile welfare board, or

other similar entity created under this section or by special law, or held by a service provider or researcher under contract with such entity, is exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 163.01(15)(m), F.S.** – Material received by a public agency in connection with its joint ownership or right to the services, output, capacity, or energy of an electric project under the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act, which is designated by the person supplying such material as proprietary confidential business information, as defined in the paragraph, or which a court of competent jurisdiction has designated as confidential or secret, shall be kept confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 163.64, F.S.** – An agency that participates in the creation or administration of a collaborative client information system may share client information, including confidential client information, with other members of the collaborative system as long as the restrictions governing the confidential information are observed by any other agency granted access to the confidential information.

**Section 166.0444, F.S.** – A municipal employee's personal identifying information contained in records held by the employing municipality relating to that employee's participation in an employee assistance program is confidential and exempt.

**Section 166.045(1), F.S.** – Appraisals, offers, and counteroffers relating to a municipality's purchase of real property pursuant to this section are not available for public disclosure and are exempt from s. 119.07(1) until an option contract is executed or, if no option contract is executed, until 30 days before a contract or agreement for purchase is considered for approval by the governing body of the municipality. If a contract or agreement for purchase is not submitted to the governing body for approval, then the exemption from s. 119.07(1) expires 30 days after the negotiations end. A municipality that does not utilize the exemptions from Ch. 119 provided in this section may follow any procedure not in conflict with Ch. 119 for the purchase of real property which is authorized in its charter or established by ordinance.

**Section 192.0105(4), F.S.** – Taxpayers have the right to have information kept confidential, including those records set forth in the exemption.

**Section 192.105, F.S.** – Federal tax information obtained pursuant to 26 U.S.C. s. 6103 is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 193.074, F.S.** – All returns of property and returns required by former s. 201.022 submitted by the taxpayer pursuant to law shall be deemed to be confidential in the hands of the property appraiser, the clerk of the circuit court, the Department of Revenue, the tax collector, the Auditor General, and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, and their employees and persons acting under their supervision and control, except upon court order or order of an administrative body having quasi-judicial powers in ad valorem tax matters.

**Section 193.114(5), F.S.** – For the purpose of furnishing copies of the tax roll under 119.07(1), the property appraiser is the custodian of the tax roll. The Department of Revenue or any state or local agency may use copies of the tax roll received by it for official purposes and shall permit inspection and examination thereof pursuant to s. 119.07(1), but is not required to furnish copies of the records. A social security number submitted under s. 196.011(1) (application for tax exemption) is confidential and exempt.

**Section 195.027(3), F.S.** – Financial records produced by a taxpayer under this section shall be confidential in the hands of the property appraiser, the Department of Revenue, the tax collector, and the Auditor General and shall not be divulged to any person, firm, or corporation, except upon court order or order of an administrative body having quasi-judicial powers in ad valorem tax matters, and such records are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 195.027(6), F.S.** – The information form disclosing unusual fees, costs and terms of financing of the sale or purchase of property shall be filed with the clerk of the circuit court at the time of recording and shall be confidential and exempt in the hands of all persons after delivery to the clerk, except as provided in the subsection.

**Section 195.084(1), F.S.** – This section (authorizing the exchange of information among

the Department of Revenue, the property appraisers, the tax collector, the Auditor General, and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability) shall supersede statutes prohibiting disclosure only with respect to those entities, but the Department of Revenue may establish regulations setting reasonable conditions upon access to and custody of such information. The Auditor General, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, the tax collectors and the property appraisers shall be bound by the same requirements of confidentiality as the department.

**Section 195.096(2)(e), F.S.** – All data and samples developed or obtained by the Department of Revenue in the conduct of assessment ratio studies are confidential and exempt until a presentation of the study findings is made to the property appraiser.

**Section 196.101(4)(c), F.S.** – Records of gross income produced by a taxpayer claiming exemption for totally and permanently disabled persons are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and are confidential in the hands of the property appraiser, the Department of Revenue, the tax collector, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, and the Auditor General and shall not be divulged to any person, firm, or corporation, except upon court order or order of an administrative body having quasi-judicial powers in ad valorem tax matters.

**Section 197.3225, F.S.** – A taxpayer's e-mail address held by a tax collector for sending specified tax notices or for obtaining the taxpayer's consent to send notices is exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 202.195, F.S.** – Proprietary confidential business information, as defined in the exemption, which is obtained from a telecommunications company or franchised cable company for the purposes of imposing fees for occupying the public rights-of-way, assessing the local communications services tax, or regulating the public rights-of-way, held by a local government entity, is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements. Maps or other engineering data held by a local governmental entity that relate to the exact location and capacity of facilities for the provision of communications services shall be exempt from disclosure but only for 60 days after completion of construction of the facilities.

**Section 206.27(2), F.S.** – Any information concerning audits in progress or those records or files of the Department of Revenue described in this section which are currently the subject of pending investigation by the Department of Revenue or the Florida Department of Law Enforcement are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and are considered confidential; and may not be released except as authorized in the subsection.

**Section 211.125(10), F.S.** – All returns and information filed with the Department of Revenue under this part providing for a tax on production of oil and gas are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), and such returns or information shall be protected from unauthorized disclosures as provided in s. 213.053.

**Section 211.33(5), F.S.** – The use of information contained in any tax return filed by a producer (i.e., a person severing solid minerals from the soils and waters of the state) or in any books, records or documents of a producer shall be as provided in s. 213.053, and shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 212.0305(3)(d), F.S.** – Records of the Department of Revenue showing the amount of taxes collected, including taxes collected from each county in which a resort tax is levied, are subject to the provisions of s. 213.053, and are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 213.015(9), F.S.** – Unless otherwise specified by law, Florida taxpayers have the right to have taxpayer tax information kept confidential.

**Section 213.053(2)(a), F.S.** – All information contained in returns, reports, accounts, or declarations received by the Department of Revenue, including investigative reports and information and including letters of technical advice, is confidential except for official purposes and is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 213.0532(8), F.S.** – Any financial records obtained pursuant to this section

relating to information-sharing arrangements between the Department of Revenue and financial institutions may be disclosed only for the purpose of, and to the extent necessary for, administration and enforcement of the tax laws of this state.

**Section 213.0535(5), F.S.** – A provision of law imposing confidentiality upon data shared under this section (providing for the Registration Information Sharing and Exchange Program within the Department of Revenue), including, but not limited to, a provision imposing penalties for disclosure, applies to recipients of this data and their employees. Data exchanged under this section may not be provided to a person or entity except as authorized in the exemption.

**Section 213.21(3)(a), F.S.** – The Department of Revenue shall maintain records of all compromises of a taxpayer's liability; the records of compromises shall not be subject to disclosure pursuant to s. 119.07(1) and shall be considered confidential information governed by s. 213.053.

**Section 213.22(2), F.S.** – The Department of Revenue may not disclose, pursuant to s. 119.07(1), a technical assistance advisement or request therefor to any person other than the person requesting the advisement or his or her representative, or for official departmental purposes without deleting identifying details of the person to whom the advisement was issued.

**Section 213.27(6), F.S.** – Confidential information shared by the Department of Revenue with debt collection or auditing agencies under contract with the department is exempt from s. 119.07(1) and such debt collection or auditing agencies are bound by the same requirements of confidentiality as the department.

**Section 213.28(6), F.S.** – Certified public accountants entering into contracts with the Department of Revenue are bound by the same confidentiality requirements and subject to the same penalties as the department under s. 213.053. Any return, return information, or documentation obtained from the Internal Revenue Service under an information-sharing agreement is confidential and exempt from disclosure and shall not be divulged or disclosed in any manner by any department officer or employee to any certified public accountant under a contract authorized by this section unless the department and the Internal Revenue Service mutually agree to such disclosure.

**Section 215.4401(1), F.S.** – Records and information of the State Board of Administration relating to acquiring, hypothecating, or disposing of real property or specified related interests are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) in order to achieve certain stated purposes. Records relating to value, offers, counteroffers, or negotiations are confidential and exempt until closing is complete and all funds have been disbursed. Records relating to tenants, leases, and other specified matters are confidential and exempt until the executive director determines that release would not be detrimental to the board's interest or conflict with its fiduciary responsibilities.

**Section 215.4401(2), F.S.** – Records and other information relating to investments made by the State Board of Administration are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until 30 days after completion of an investment transaction. However, if in the executive director's opinion, it would be detrimental to the board's financial interests or cause a conflict with its fiduciary responsibilities, information concerning service provider fees may be kept confidential until 6 months after negotiations relating to such fees have been terminated.

**Section 215.4401(3)(b), F.S.** – “Proprietary confidential business information”, as defined in the exemption, that is held by the State Board of Administration regarding alternative investments is confidential and exempt for a period of 10 years after the termination of the alternative investment unless disclosure is permitted under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 215.555(4)(f), F.S.** – Information described in 215.557 which is contained in an examination report conducted on an insurer pursuant to this subsection, is confidential and exempt, as provided in s. 215.557.

**Section 215.557, F.S.** – The reports of insured values under certain insurance policies by zip code submitted to the State Board of Administration pursuant to s. 215.555 are confidential and exempt.

**Section 215.5587, F.S.** – The following information contained in applications and



home inspection reports submitted by applicants as part of the My Safe Florida Home program is exempt: The components of the mailing address other than the city and zip code and the applicant's name; any phone number or e-mail address provided by the applicant; detailed descriptions and pictures of the inside and outside of the applicant's homes.

**Section 220.242, F.S.** – Estimated tax returns filed under the Florida Income Tax Code are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 252.355(4), F.S.** – Records relating to the registration of persons with special needs for emergency management purposes pursuant to this section are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except such information is available to other emergency response agencies, as determined by the local emergency management director. Local law enforcement agencies shall be given complete shelter roster information upon request.

**Section 252.385(5), F.S.** – The address and telephone number of a person provided public emergency shelter during a storm or catastrophic event and held by the agency, as defined in s. 119.011, that provided the emergency shelter are exempt from disclosure.

**Section 252.88(1), F.S.** – Trade secret information which applicable federal law authorizes an employer to exclude from materials submitted shall be furnished to the State Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Commission upon request. However, such information shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall not be disclosed by the Commission except as authorized in the subsection.

**Section 252.88(2) and (3), F.S.** – When applicable law authorizes the withholding of disclosure of the location of specific hazardous chemicals, such information is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). All information, including, but not limited to, site plans and specific location information on hazardous chemicals furnished to a fire department pursuant to applicable law, shall be confidential and exempt while in the possession of the fire department.

**Section 252.905, F.S.** – Any information furnished by a person or a business to the Division of Emergency Management for the purpose of being provided assistance with emergency planning is exempt.

**Section 252.943, F.S.** – In accordance with the federal Clean Air Act, trade secret information provided to the Division of Emergency Management by the owner or operator of a stationary source subject to the Accidental Release Prevention Program is confidential and exempt from disclosure, except as provided in the exemption.

**Section 253.025(8)(f), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, appraisal reports prepared for the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund or an agency are confidential and exempt until an option contract is executed or, if no option contract is executed, until 2 weeks before a contract or agreement for purchase is considered for approval by the board of trustees.

**Section 253.025(9)(d), F.S.** – All offers or counteroffers shall be documented in writing and shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until an option contract is executed, or if no option contract is executed, until 2 weeks before a contract or agreement for purchase is considered for approval by the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund.

**Section 253.0341(8)(a), F.S.** – A written valuation of land determined to be surplus and related documents are confidential and exempt. The exemption expires 2 weeks before the contract or agreement regarding the disposition of the surplus land is first considered for approval by the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund. Prior to expiration of the exemption, disclosure of certain information is authorized under the circumstances described in the exemption.

**Section 255.047(2), F.S.** – The booking business records (as defined in the section) of a publicly owned or operated convention center, sports stadium, coliseum, or auditorium are exempt from disclosure. However, such facility shall furnish its booking business records and related information to the Department of Revenue upon the department's request if necessary for

the department to administer its duties.

**Section 257.261, F.S.** – Registration and circulation records of public libraries, except statistical reports of registration and circulation are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Except as authorized by court order, a person may not make known in any manner any information contained in such records, except as provided in this section. Violation of this section is a second degree misdemeanor.

**Section 257.38(2) and (3), F.S.** – Public records transferred to the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State are subject to s. 119.07(1), except that any record provided by law to be confidential shall not be made accessible until 50 years after creation of the record. Any nonpublic manuscript or other archival material which is placed in the keeping of the division under special terms and conditions, shall be made accessible only in accordance with such terms and conditions and shall be exempt from s. 119.07(1) to the extent necessary to meet the terms and conditions for a nonpublic manuscript or other archival material.

**Section 257.38(4), F.S.** – Any nonpublic manuscript or other archival material that is donated to and held by an official archive of a municipality or county contingent upon special terms and conditions that limit the right to inspect or copy such material is confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements except as otherwise authorized in the special conditions. Such nonpublic manuscript or archival material shall be made available for inspection and copying 50 years after the date of the creation of the nonpublic manuscript or material, at an earlier date specified in the special terms and conditions, or upon a showing of good cause before a court of competent jurisdiction.

**Section 265.605(2), F.S.** – Information which, if released, would identify donors and amounts contributed by donors to the Cultural Endowment Program Trust Fund, or to the local organization's matching fund, is, at the request of the donor, confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Information which, if released, would identify prospective donors is confidential and exempt unless the name has been obtained from another organization or source.

**Section 265.7015, F.S.** – If a donor or prospective donor of a donation made for the benefit of a publicly owned performing arts center, as defined in the exemption, desires to remain anonymous, information that would identify the name, address, or telephone number of that donor or prospective donor is confidential and exempt.

**Section 267.076, F.S.** – Information identifying a donor or prospective donor to a publicly owned house museum designated by the United States Department of the Interior as a National Historic Landmark who desires to remain anonymous is confidential and exempt.

**Section 267.135, F.S.** – Information identifying the location of an archaeological site held by the Division of Historical Resources of the Department of State is exempt from public disclosure if the division finds that disclosure will create a substantial risk of harm, theft, or destruction at such site.

**Section 267.17(3), F.S.** – The identity of donors who desire to remain anonymous shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), and that anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor's report of a citizen support organization to the Division of Historical Resources of the Department of State.

**Section 267.1732(8), F.S.** – The identity of a donor or prospective donor of property to a direct-support organization of the University of West Florida which is established to support the historic preservation efforts of the university, who desires to remain anonymous, is confidential and exempt from disclosure; and that anonymity must be maintained in the auditor's report.

**Section 267.1736(9), F.S.** – Any information identifying a donor or prospective donor to the direct-support organization, authorized by the University of Florida to assist it in the historic preservation of the City of St. Augustine, who desires to remain anonymous, is confidential and exempt, and that anonymity must be maintained in the auditor's report.

**Section 279.11(1), F.S.** – Records with regard to ownership of, or security interests in,



registered public obligations are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 280.16(3), F.S.** – Any information contained in a report of a qualified public depository required under this chapter or any rule adopted under this chapter, together with any information required of a financial institution that is not a qualified public depository, is, if made confidential by any law of the United States or of this state, confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and not subject to dissemination to anyone other than the Chief Financial Officer under this chapter.

**Section 282.318(4)(d)(e)(g), F.S.** – The following information is confidential and exempt and may not be disclosed except as provided in the subsection: risk assessment information to determine security threats to data, information, and information technology resources of the agency; internal policies and procedures to assure the security of the data and information technology resources that, if disclosed, could facilitate the unauthorized modification, disclosure, or destruction of data, information, or information technology resources; and results of periodic internal audits and evaluations of the information technology security program for an agency's data and information technology resources.

**Section 282.318(5), F.S.** – Portions of risk assessments and other reports of a state agency's cybersecurity program are confidential and exempt if disclosure would facilitate unauthorized access to or unauthorized modification, disclosure or destruction of data or information as described in the exemption. Disclosure is authorized as provided in the exemption. The term "state agency" as used in this section is defined in s. 282.318(2), F.S.

**Section 282.318(6), F.S.** – Those portions of a public meeting which would reveal records which are confidential under subsection (5) are exempt from s. 286.011. All exempt portions shall be recorded and transcribed. Disclosure is authorized as provided in the exemption.

**Section 284.40(2), F.S.** – Claims files maintained by the Division of Risk Management of the Department of Financial Services are confidential, and shall be only for the use of the Department of Financial Services in fulfilling its duties and are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**NOTE: DUE TO SPACE LIMITATIONS, THE EXEMPTIONS FROM DISCLOSURE FOUND IN CHAPTER 286 ARE NOT SUMMARIZED IN THIS APPENDIX. THE TEXT OF THESE EXEMPTIONS IS CONTAINED IN APPENDIX B (SUNSHINE LAW AND RELATED STATUTES).**

**Section 287.0595(3), F.S.** – Bids submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection for pollution response action contracts are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), until selection of a bidder on such contract has been made and a contract signed or until the bids are no longer under active consideration.

**Section 287.137(8)(a), F.S.** – All information received by the Attorney General or a law enforcement agency pursuant to investigations into certain prohibited social media activities is confidential and exempt under 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).

**Section 288.002, F.S.** – Materials that relate to methods of manufacture or production, potential trade secrets, potentially patentable material, actual trade secrets, business transactions, financial and proprietary information and agreements or proposals to receive funding that are received, generated, ascertained, or discovered by the former Enterprise Florida, Inc., including its affiliates and participants, are confidential and exempt from disclosure, except that a recipient of the former Enterprise Florida, Inc., research funds shall make available, upon request, the title and description of the project, the name of the researcher, and the amount and source of funding provided for the project. Effective July 1, 2023, the Department of Commerce is the custodian of any public records made confidential and exempt under this section.

**Section 288.047(5)(e), F.S.** – Information relating to wages and performance of participants which is submitted pursuant to a grant agreement prepared by CareerSource Florida, Inc., pursuant to the Quick-Response Training Program which, if released, would disclose the

identity of the person to whom the information pertains or the person's employer is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 288.047(7), F.S.** – In providing instruction pursuant to the Quick-Response Training Program, materials relating to methods of manufacture or production, potential trade secrets, business transactions, or proprietary information received or discovered by employees of specified agencies are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 288.075(2)-(6), F.S.** – If a private entity requests in writing before an economic incentive agreement is signed that an economic development agency (EDA) maintain the confidentiality of information concerning the plans, intentions, or interests of the private entity to locate, relocate or expand its business activities in Florida, the information is confidential and exempt from disclosure for 12 months after the EDA receives a request for confidentiality or the information is otherwise disclosed, whichever occurs first. An EDA may extend the period of confidentiality for up to an additional 12 months under certain conditions. If a final project order for a signed economic development agreement is issued, then the information remains confidential and exempt for 180 days after the final project order is issued, until a date specified in the final project order, or until the information is otherwise disclosed, whichever occurs first. However, such confidentiality may not extend beyond the period of confidentiality established in the exemption. Trade secrets and the federal employer identification number, reemployment assistance account number, or Florida sales tax registration number held by an EDA are confidential and exempt, as well as other records as described in the exemption. Specified information held by an EDA relating to a specific business participating in an economic incentive program is no longer confidential or exempt 180 days after a final project order for an economic incentive agreement is issued, until a date specified in the final project order, or if the information is otherwise disclosed, whichever occurs first.

**Section 288.075(7), F.S.** – Tax returns, financial information, credit history information, credit reports, and credit scores held by an economic development agency pursuant to its administration of a state or federally funded small business loan program are exempt from disclosure. Disclosure of information in an aggregated and anonymized format is not prohibited.

**Section 288.1226(7), F.S.** – The identity of a donor or prospective donor to the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation who desires to remain anonymous and all information identifying such donor or prospective donor are confidential and exempt from disclosure, and such anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor's report.

**Section 288.776(3)(d), F.S.** – Personal financial records, trade secrets or proprietary information of applicants for loans extended by the Florida Export Finance Corporation are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 288.9607(5), F.S.** – Personal financial records, trade secrets or proprietary information of applicants delivered to or obtained by the Florida Development Finance Corporation are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 288.9626(2) and (3), F.S.** – The following records held by the Florida Opportunity Fund are confidential and exempt: materials relating to methods of manufacture or production, potential trade secrets, or patentable material received, generated, ascertained, or discovered during the course of research or through research projects and that are provided by a proprietor; information that would identify an investor or potential investor who desires to remain anonymous in projects reviewed by the Fund; as well as proprietary confidential business information regarding alternative investments for 7 years after the termination of the alternative investment. That portion of the meeting of the board of the Fund at which such confidential information is discussed is confidential and exempt; the exempt portion of the meeting shall be recorded and transcribed as provided therein. The transcript and minutes of the exempt meeting are confidential.

**Section 288.9627(2) and (3), F.S.** – The following records held by the Institute for Commercialization of Florida Technology are confidential and exempt: materials relating to methods of manufacture or production, potential trade secrets, or patentable material received,

generated, ascertained, or discovered through research by universities and other publicly supported organizations in this state and that are provided to the Institute by a proprietor; information that would identify an investor or potential investor who desires to remain anonymous in projects reviewed by the Institute for assistance; information received from a person in another state or the Federal Government which is otherwise confidential or exempt by law of that entity; and proprietary confidential business information for 7 years after the termination of the Institute's financial commitment to the company. That portion of the meeting of the board of the Institute at which such confidential information is discussed is confidential and exempt; the exempt portion of the meeting shall be recorded and transcribed as provided therein. The transcript and minutes of the exempt meeting are confidential.

**Section 288.985, F.S.** – Specified information held by the Florida Defense Support direct-support organization relating to selection criteria for the realignment and closure of military bases and missions is exempt and that portion of direct-support organization meetings where exempt records are presented and discussed is exempt as well as records generated during the closed meeting.

**Section 292.055(9), F.S.** – Any information identifying a donor or prospective donor to the Department of Veterans' Affairs direct-support organization who desires to remain anonymous is confidential and exempt; portions of meetings of the direct-support organization during which the identity of such donor or potential donor is discussed are exempt.

**Section 296.09(1), F.S.** – The health record and annual reevaluation of residents of the Veterans' Domiciliary Home of Florida are confidential and exempt from disclosure and must be preserved for a period of time as determined by the director.

**Section 310.102(3)(e) and (5)(a), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in the section, all information obtained by the probable cause panel of the Board of Pilot Commissioners from the consultant as part of an approved treatment program for impaired licensees is confidential and exempt. Except as otherwise provided in the section, all information obtained by the consultant and the Department of Business and Professional Regulation pursuant to this section is confidential and exempt.

**Section 311.13, F.S.** – Seaport security plans created pursuant to s. 311.12 are exempt from public disclosure. Materials that depict critical seaport operating facilities are also exempt if the seaport reasonably determines that such items contain information that is not generally known and that could jeopardize seaport security. The exemption does not apply to information relating to real estate leases, layout plans, blueprints, and information related thereto.

**Section 315.18, F.S.** – Any proposal or counterproposal exchanged between a deepwater port listed in s. 311.09(1) and any nongovernmental entity, relating to the sale, use or lease of land or of port facilities, and any financial records submitted by any nongovernmental entity to such a deepwater port for the purpose of the sale, use or lease of land or of port facilities, are confidential and exempt from disclosure until 30 days before such proposal or counterproposal is considered for approval by the governing body of the deepwater port. If no proposal or counterproposal is submitted to the governing body, the proposal or counterproposal shall cease to be exempt 90 days after the cessation of negotiations.

**Section 316.066(2)(a)(b)(c)(f), F.S.** – Crash reports that reveal the identity, home or employment telephone number or home or employment address of, or other personal information concerning the parties involved in the crash and that are held by an agency are confidential for a period of 60 days, except as authorized in the exemption. Reports may be released 60 days after the report is filed to authorized entities and agencies, or in accordance with specified provisions of cited federal law.

**Section 316.066(2)(g), F.S.** – If crash reports are created by or submitted to an agency electronically as data elements within a computerized database or if personal information from a crash report is entered into a computerized database, such crash data held by an agency is confidential. Sixty days after the date the crash report is filed, an agency may provide crash data derived from the report which includes personal information to authorized entities or in

accordance with specified provisions of cited federal law.

**Section 316.0777(3)(4), F.S.** – Certain images and data obtained through the use of an automated license plate recognition system and personal identifying information of an individual in data generated from such images are confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized in specified circumstances.

**Section 316.650(11), F.S.** – Driver information, as defined in the exemption, contained in a uniform traffic citation is exempt from disclosure requirements. Driver information may be released as provided in s. 119.0712(2)(b) and pursuant to the sale and redisclosure provisions in cited federal law.

**Section 319.1414(5), F.S.** – Information received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as a result of an investigation or examination conducted pursuant to this section (department-authorized private rebuilt inspection providers) is confidential and exempt until the investigation or examination ceases to be active or administrative action taken by the department has concluded or been made part of a hearing or court proceeding. Release is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 319.25(7), F.S.** – Information received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as a result of an investigation or examination conducted pursuant to this section (title certificates) is confidential and exempt until the investigation or examination ceases to be active or administrative action taken by the department has concluded or been made part of a hearing or court proceeding. Release is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 320.025(3), F.S.** – All records relating to the registration application of a law enforcement agency, Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, or public defender's office, or any office of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel, for motor vehicle or vessel registration and license plates or decals issued under fictitious names, are exempt from s. 119.07(1) as long as the information is retained by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

**Section 320.05(2), F.S.** – Information on motor vehicle or vessel registration records of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall not be made available to a person unless the person requesting the information furnishes positive proof of identification.

**Section 320.861(5), F.S.** – Information received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as a result of an investigation or examination conducted pursuant to this section (motor vehicle licenses) is confidential and exempt until the investigation or examination ceases to be active or administrative action taken by the department has concluded or been made part of a hearing or court proceeding. Release is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 322.125(3) and (4), F.S.** – When a member of the Medical Advisory Board acts directly as a consultant to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, a board member's individual review of the physical and mental qualifications of a licensed driver or applicant is exempt from s. 286.011. Reports received or made by the board or its members for the purpose of assisting the department in determining whether a person is qualified to be licensed are for confidential use of the board or department and may not be divulged to any person except to the driver or applicant or used as evidence in any trial except proceedings under s. 322.271 or s. 322.31.

**Section 322.126(3), F.S.** – Disability reports are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and may be used solely for the purpose of determining the qualifications of any person to operate a motor vehicle.

**Section 322.142(4), F.S.** – Reproductions of color photographic or digital imaged licenses may be made and issued only for the purposes set forth in the subsection and are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 322.20(3), F.S.** – The release by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles of the driver history record, with respect to crashes involving a licensee, shall not include any notation or record of the occurrence of a motor vehicle crash unless the licensee received a

traffic citation as a direct result of the crash, and to this extent such notation or record is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 322.20(9), F.S.** – The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall furnish without charge specified driver license information from its records to the courts for the purpose of jury selection or to any state agency, state attorney, sheriff or chief of police. Such court, state agency, state attorney, or law enforcement agency may not sell, give away, or allow the copying of such information.

**Section 322.71(5), F.S.** – Information received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as a result of an investigation or examination conducted pursuant to this section (driver licenses) is confidential and exempt until the investigation or examination ceases to be active or administrative action taken by the department has concluded or been made part of a hearing or court proceeding. Release is authorized under the circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 324.242, F.S.** – Information as set forth in the exemption that pertains to personal injury protection and property damage liability insurance policies held by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is confidential and exempt. Specified disclosures are authorized as set forth in the exemption.

**Section 328.40(3), F.S.** – All records kept or made by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles under the vessel registration law are public records except for confidential reports.

**Section 331.22, F.S.** – Airport security plans of an aviation authority or aviation department of a county or municipality which operates an international airport are exempt from disclosure. In addition, except as otherwise provided in the section, specified materials that depict critical airport operating facilities are exempt to the extent that the authority or department which operates an airport determines that such information is not generally known and could jeopardize the security of the airport.

**Section 334.049(4), F.S.** – Information obtained by the Department of Transportation as a result of research and development projects and revealing a method of process, production, or manufacture which is a trade secret as defined by s. 688.002, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 337.14(1), F.S.** – Financial information required by the Department of Transportation pursuant to this subsection shall be confidential and exempt.

**Section 337.162, F.S.** – Complaints submitted to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation and maintained by the Department of Transportation pursuant to this section relating to alleged violations of state professional licensing laws or rules shall be confidential and exempt. Any complaints submitted to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation are confidential and exempt.

**Section 337.168, F.S.** – A document or electronic file revealing the Department of Transportation’s official cost estimate for a project is confidential and exempt until the contract for the project has been executed or until the project is no longer under active consideration. The bid analysis and monitoring system is confidential and exempt.

**Section 338.155(6), F.S.** – Personal identifying information held by the Department of Transportation, a county, a municipality, or an expressway authority for the purpose of paying, prepaying, or collecting tolls and associated charges due for the use of toll facilities is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 339.0805(1)(c), F.S.** – The application and financial information required for certification by the Department of Transportation as a socially and economically disadvantaged business enterprise are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 339.55(10), F.S.** – Financial information, as defined in the exemption, of a private entity applicant required by the Department of Transportation as part of the application process

for loans or credit enhancements from the state-funded infrastructure bank is exempt from s. 119.07(1). The exemption does not apply to records of an applicant who is in default of a loan issued under this section.

**Section 341.0521, F.S.** – Personal identifying information held by a public transit provider for the purpose of facilitating the prepayment of transit fares or the acquisition of a prepaid transit fare card or similar device is exempt from disclosure.

**Section 350.01(9), F.S.** – Those portions of a hearing conducted by the Public Service Commission wherein proprietary confidential business information that is confidential or exempt from disclosure pursuant to cited statutes, is discussed are exempt from s. 286.011. No exempt portion may be made off the record and all exempt portions shall be recorded and transcribed. The recordings and transcripts are confidential unless a court finds that the hearing was not restricted to the discussion of proprietary confidential information, in which case only that portion which reveals nonexempt information may be disclosed to a third party.

**Section 350.121, F.S.** – Any records obtained by the Public Service Commission pursuant to an inquiry are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) while such inquiry is pending. If, at the conclusion of an inquiry the commission undertakes a formal proceeding, any matter determined by the commission or by a court or administrative agency to be trade secrets or confidential proprietary business information coming into its possession pursuant to such inquiry shall be confidential and exempt.

**Section 364.107, F.S.** – Personal identifying information of a participant in a telecommunications carrier's Lifeline Assistance Plan under s. 364.10 held by the Public Service Commission is confidential and exempt except as provided therein.

**Section 364.183, F.S.** – Records provided by a telecommunications company to the Public Service Commission which are found by the commission to constitute proprietary confidential business information as defined in the section shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 365.171(12)(a) and (b), F.S.** – Any record, recording, or information, or portions thereof, obtained by a public agency or public safety agency for the purpose of providing emergency services and which reveals the name, address, telephone number, or personal information about, or information which may identify any person requesting emergency service or reporting an emergency by accessing an emergency communications system is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements except that such record or information may be disclosed to a public safety agency. The exemption applies only to the name, address, telephone number, or personal information which may identify any person requesting emergency services or reporting an emergency while such information is in the custody of the public agency or public safety agency providing emergency services. However, disclosure of the location of a coronary emergency to a private person or entity that owns an automated external defibrillator is authorized in some circumstances, as set forth in the exemption.

**Section 365.174, F.S.** – Proprietary confidential business information, as defined in the exemption, that is submitted by a provider to the Emergency Communications Board, the Division of Telecommunications within the Department of Management Services, or the Department of Revenue, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and may not be disclosed except as provided in the exemption.

**Section 366.04(9)(c), F.S.** – Upon request by a communications services provider, any records that are received by the Public Service Commission under this paragraph which are proprietary confidential business information under cited statutes shall retain their status as confidential or exempt from s. 119.07(1), F.S.

**Section 366.093, F.S.** – Records provided by a public utility company to the Public Service Commission which, upon the request of the public utility or any person, are found by the commission to constitute proprietary confidential business information as defined in the section shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 367.156, F.S.** – Records provided by a water or wastewater utility to the Public



Service Commission which, upon the request of the utility or any person, are found by the commission to constitute proprietary confidential business information as defined in the section shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 368.108, F.S.** – Records provided by a natural gas transmission company to the Public Service Commission which, upon the request of the company or any other person, are found by the commission to constitute proprietary confidential business information as defined in the section shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 373.089(1)(b)(c), F.S.** – A written valuation of land determined to be surplus by the governing board of a water management district pursuant to this section; related documents used to form, or which pertain to, the valuation; and written offers to purchase such land are confidential and exempt. The exemption expires 2 weeks before the contract or agreement regarding the purchase, exchange, or disposal of the surplus land is first considered by the district. Before expiration of the exemption, disclosure is authorized as provided in the exemption.

**Section 373.139(3)(a), F.S.** – Appraisal reports, offers, and counteroffers for the acquisition of real property by water management districts created under Ch. 373 are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until an option contract is executed, or, if no option contract is executed, until 30 days before a contract or agreement for purchase is considered for approval by the governing board. However, disclosure is authorized under some circumstances as described in the subsection. If negotiations are terminated by the district, the appraisal report, offers and counteroffers shall become available pursuant to s. 119.07(1).

**Section 373.4598(4)(b), F.S.** – Appraisal reports, offers, and counter offers in relation to this subsection (Everglades Agricultural area reservoir project) are confidential and exempt, as provided in s. 373.139.

**Section 373.69ArticleXIII(a)(8) and (9), F.S.** – The mediator selected by parties to the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin Compact shall not divulge confidential information disclosed to the mediator by the parties or by witnesses in the course of the mediation. All records received by a mediator while serving as mediator shall be considered confidential and each party to the mediation shall maintain the confidentiality of the information.

**Section 377.075(4)(f), F.S.** – Company data collected by the State Geologist from specified agencies may be maintained as confidential subject to the same requirements as that required by the federal agency of jurisdiction or, if no specific language exists in federal law, the confidential period shall not exceed 10 years.

**Section 377.22(2)(h), F.S.** – Information required by this paragraph relating to oil and gas resources, at the request of the operator, shall be exempt from s. 119.07(1) and held confidential by the Division of Resource Management of the Department of Environmental Protection for a period of 1 year after the completion of a well.

**Section 377.2408(3), F.S.** – Any information relating to the location of the geophysical operation and other information relating to leasing plans, exploration budgets, and other proprietary information that could provide an economic advantage to competitors shall be kept confidential by the Department of Environmental Protection for 10 years and exempt from s. 119.07(1), and shall not be released to the public without the consent of the person submitting the application to conduct geophysical operations.

**Section 377.2409, F.S.** – Information on geophysical activities conducted on state-owned mineral lands received by the Division of Resource Management of the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to this section shall, upon the request of the person conducting the activities, be held confidential for 10 years and shall be exempt from disclosure.

**Section 377.2421(2), F.S.** – Geologic data which is maintained by the Division of Resource Management of the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to this section shall be subject to the same confidentiality requirements that are required by the federal agency and are exempt from s. 119.07(1) to the extent necessary to meet federal requirements.

**Section 377.2424(3), F.S.** – The Department of Environmental Protection shall share

geophysical permit information with a county or municipality upon request and may, on its own initiative, share such information with a county or municipality. However, the county or municipality shall maintain the confidential status of such information, as required by s. 377.2408(3) and such information is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 377.606, F.S.** – Proprietary information obtained by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as the result of a required report, investigation, or verification relating to energy resources shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) if disclosure would be likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the person providing the information and the provider has requested confidentiality.

**Section 377.701(4), F.S.** – No state employee may divulge or make known in any manner any proprietary information under the Petroleum Allocation Act, if the disclosure of such information would be likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the person providing such information and if the person requests that such information be held confidential, except in accordance with a court order, or in the publication of statistical information compiled by methods which would not disclose the identity of individual suppliers or companies. Such proprietary information is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 378.208(5), F.S.** – The Department of Environmental Protection may adopt rules to require mine operators to submit a copy of their most recent annual financial statements. The financial statement, except for a financial statement that is a public record in the custody of another governmental agency, shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07, and the department shall ensure the confidentiality of such statements.

**Section 378.406(1)(a), F.S.** – Any information relating to prospecting, rock grades, or secret processes or methods of operation which may be required, ascertained, or discovered by inspection or investigation shall be exempt from s. 119.07(1) if the applicant requests the Department of Environmental Protection to keep such information confidential and informs the department of the basis for such confidentiality. Should the secretary determine that such information shall not be confidential, the secretary shall provide notice of his or her intent to release the information.

**Section 379.1026, F.S.** – Site-specific location information held by an agency of animals listed by a federal agency as threatened or endangered is exempt from disclosure. The exemption does not apply to the site-specific location of animals held in captivity.

**Section 379.223(3), F.S.** – The identity and all information identifying a donor or prospective donor to a citizen support organization established by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission who desires to remain anonymous is confidential and exempt from disclosure, and such anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor's report of the citizen support organization.

**Section 379.362(6), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, reports required of wholesale dealers regarding saltwater products are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 381.0031(6), F.S.** – Information submitted in reports of diseases of public health significance to the Department of Health as required by this section is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), and shall be made public only when necessary to public health.

**Section 381.00318, F.S.** – A complaint alleging a business entity's, a governmental entity's, or an educational institution's violation of statutes prohibiting discrimination based on health care choices, and all information relating to an investigation of such complaint, held by the Department of Legal Affairs or the Department of Health is confidential and exempt until the investigation is completed or ceases to be active, as defined in the exemption. Specified information as described in the exemption remains confidential after the investigation is completed or ceases to be active.

**Section 381.004(2), (3), (4), and (5), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided, human immunodeficiency virus test results, and the identity of any person upon whom a test has been performed, are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). No person to whom the results of a test have been disclosed pursuant to this section may disclose the results to another person except



as authorized in the section. Such confidential information is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 381.0041(9), F.S.** – All blood banks shall be governed by the provisions of s. 381.004(2) relating to confidentiality of HIV test results and the identity of test subjects.

**Section 381.0055(1) and (2), F.S.** – Information which is confidential by operation of law and which is obtained by the Department of Health and the health agencies specified in this section relating to quality assurance activities shall retain its confidential status and be exempt from s. 119.07(1). Such information which is obtained by a hospital or health care provider from the department or health agencies pursuant to this section shall retain its confidential status and be exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 381.0055(3), F.S.** – Portions of meetings, proceedings, reports and records of the Department of Health and the health agencies set forth in this section, which relate solely to patient care quality assurance and where specific persons or incidents are discussed are confidential and exempt from s. 286.011, and are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 381.0056(4)(a)16., F.S.** – Provisions in the school health services plan developed pursuant to this section for maintenance of health records of individual students must be in accordance with s. 1002.22, relating to confidentiality of student records.

**Section 381.775, F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, all oral and written records, information, letters, and reports received, made, or maintained by the Department of Health relative to any applicant for or recipient of services under the brain and spinal cord injury program are privileged, confidential, and exempt from s. 119.07(1). The in camera proceeding before designated officials to determine whether records are relevant to an inquiry and should be released and all records relating thereto are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 381.82(3)(d), F.S.** – Research grant applications provided to the Alzheimer’s Disease Research Grant Advisory Board and any records generated by the board relating to review of such applications, except final recommendations, are confidential. Those portions of a meeting during which applications are discussed are exempt, but the closed portions must be recorded.

**Section 381.8531, F.S.** – The following information held by the Florida Center for Brain Tumor Research is confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements: Any information received from an individual from another state or nation or the federal government that is otherwise confidential or exempt. Personal identifying information of a donor to the central repository or the brain tumor registry is also confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 381.915(8)(j), F.S.** – Proprietary business information, as defined in the exemption, held by the Department of Health or the Cancer Connect Collaborative is confidential and exempt. Portions of meetings of the collaborative during which confidential proprietary business information is discussed are exempt from open meetings requirements.

**Section 381.92201(1), (2), and (3), F.S.** – Records relating to biomedical research grant applications presented to the peer review panel are confidential and exempt; that portion of a peer review panel in which grant applications under cited statutes are discussed is exempt from public meetings requirements; and records generated by the peer review panel relating to review of such applications, except final recommendations, are confidential and exempt. Also published at s. 215.56021, F.S.

**Section 381.95(1), F.S.** – Information identifying or describing the name, location, pharmaceutical cache, contents, capacity, equipment, physical features, or capabilities of individual medical facilities, storage facilities, or laboratories established, maintained, or regulated by the Department of Health as part of the state’s plan of defense against terrorism is exempt from public disclosure requirements.

**Section 381.987(1)(2)(3), F.S.** – The following information held by the Department of Health is confidential and exempt: A patient’s or caregiver’s personal identifying information in the medical marijuana use registry established under s. 381.986, F.S., and all personal identifying

information pertaining to the physician certification for marijuana and the dispensing thereof. Access is authorized under circumstances set forth in the exemption.

**Section 382.008(6), F.S.** – All information relating to cause of death in all death and fetal death records and the parentage, marital status, and medical information included in all fetal death records are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except for health research purposes approved by the Department of Health, nor shall copies of same be provided except as provided in s. 382.025.

**Section 382.008(8), F.S.** – All information relating to the cause of death and parentage of a nonviable fetus, the marital status of such fetus' parent, and any medical information included in nonviable birth records held by a state agency is confidential and exempt, except for research purposes as approved by the Department of Health. Certified copies may be issued as provided in the exemption.

**Section 382.013(4), F.S.** – In the event that a child of undetermined parentage is later identified and a new certificate of birth is prepared, the original birth certificate shall be sealed and filed, shall be confidential and exempt, and shall not be opened to inspection except by, nor shall certified copies of the same be issued except by court order to, any person other than the registrant if of legal age.

**Section 382.013(5), F.S.** – The original birth certificate shall contain all information required by the Department of Health for legal, social, and health research purposes. However, information concerning parentage, marital status, and medical details shall be confidential and exempt, except for health research purposes as approved by the department, nor shall copies be issued except as provided by s. 382.025.

**Section 382.017(1), F.S.** – After registering a certificate of foreign birth in the new name of an adoptee, the Department of Health shall place the adoption report or decree under seal, not to be broken except pursuant to court order.

**Section 382.025(1), F.S.** – Except for birth records over 125 years old which are not under seal pursuant to court order, all birth records of this state are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Certified copies of the original birth certificate or a new or amended certificate, or affidavits thereof, are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall be issued only as authorized by the Department of Health to those individuals and entities listed in the subsection.

**Section 382.025(2), F.S.** – A certification of the death or fetal death certificate which includes the confidential portions, shall be issued by the Department of Health only to the individuals and entities specified in the subsection. All portions of a death certificate shall cease to be exempt 50 years after the death.

**Section 382.025(3), F.S.** – Records or data issued by the Department of Health to government and research entities as set forth in this subsection are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and copies of records or data issued pursuant to this subsection remain the property of the department.

**Section 382.025(4), F.S.** – Except as provided in this section, preparing or issuing certificates of live birth, death, or fetal death is exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1), F.S.

**Section 383.14(3)(c), F.S.** – The confidential registry of cases maintained by the Department of Health pursuant to this section [relating to phenylketonuria and other metabolic, hereditary and congenital disorders] shall be exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 383.32(3), F.S.** – Birth center clinical records are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). A client's clinical records shall be open to inspection only if the client has signed a consent to release information or the review is made for a licensure survey or complaint investigation.

**Section 383.325, F.S.** – Inspection reports of birth centers which have been filed with or issued by any governmental agency are to be maintained as public information. However, any record which, by state or federal law or regulation, is deemed confidential shall be exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall not be distributed or made available as public information unless or until

such confidential status expires, except as provided in s. 383.32(2)(c) requiring records to be made available for audit by licensure personnel.

**Section 383.412, F.S.** – Information held by the State Child Abuse Death Review Committee or local committee which reveals the identity of the surviving siblings of a deceased child whose death occurred as the result of a verified report of abuse or neglect is confidential and exempt. Any information held by the Committee or a local committee which reveals the identity of a deceased child whose death is not the result of abuse or neglect, or the identity of the surviving siblings, family members, or others living in the deceased child's home, is confidential and exempt. Portions of committee meetings at which information made confidential and exempt pursuant to subsection (2) are discussed are exempt from open meetings requirements. The closed portion of the meeting must be recorded; the recording is exempt from disclosure.

**Section 383.51, F.S.** – The identity of parents who leave an infant at a hospital, emergency medical services station, or fire station in accordance with s. 383.50, is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements.

**Section 384.26(2), F.S.** – All information gathered by the Department of Health and its authorized representatives in the course of contact investigation of sexually transmissible disease infection shall be considered confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), and subject to the provisions of s. 384.29.

**Section 384.282(3), F.S.** – Except as provided in this section, the name of any person subject to proceedings initiated by the Department of Health relating to a public health threat resulting from a sexually transmissible disease, shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 384.287(6), F.S.** – An authorized person who receives the results of a test for sexually transmissible disease pursuant to this section, which results disclose human immunodeficiency virus infection and are otherwise confidential pursuant to law, shall maintain the confidentiality of the information received and the identity of the person tested as required by s. 381.004.

**Section 384.29, F.S.** – All information and records held by the Department of Health and its authorized representatives relating to known or suspected cases of sexually transmissible diseases are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Such information may not be released or made public by the department or its representatives, or by a court or parties to a lawsuit, except as provided in the section. Except as provided in the section, information disclosed pursuant to a subpoena is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 384.30(2), F.S.** – The fact of consultation, examination, and treatment of a minor for a sexually transmissible disease is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall not be divulged directly or indirectly, such as sending a bill for services rendered to a parent or guardian, except as provided in s. 384.29.

**Section 385.202(3), F.S.** – Information which discloses or could lead to the disclosure of the identity of any person whose condition or treatment has been reported and studied pursuant to this section relating to the statewide cancer registry shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) except as provided in the subsection.

**Section 390.01114(6)(f), F.S.** – All hearings under this section, including appeals, shall remain confidential and closed to the public, as provided by court rule.

**Section 390.01116, F.S.** – Any information that can be used to identify a minor petitioning a circuit court for a judicial waiver, as provided in s. 390.01114, of the notice requirements under the Parental Notice of Abortion Act is confidential and exempt if held by a circuit court, an appellate court, the office of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel, or the Justice Administrative Commission.

**Section 390.01118, F.S.** – Any information that can be used to identify a minor petitioning a circuit court for a judicial waiver, as provided in s. 390.01114, of the consent requirements under the Parental Notice of and Consent for Abortion Act is confidential and exempt if held by a circuit court, an appellate court, the office of conflict and civil regional counsel, or the Justice Administrative Commission.

**Section 390.0112(3), F.S.** – Reports concerning pregnancy termination which are submitted to the Agency for Health Care Administration pursuant to this section shall be confidential and exempt and shall not be revealed except upon court order in a civil or criminal proceeding.

**Section 392.54(2), F.S.** – All information gathered by the Department of Health and its authorized representatives in the course of contact investigation of tuberculosis exposure or infection shall be confidential, subject to the provisions of s. 392.65. Such information is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 392.545(3), F.S.** – The name of any person subject to proceedings initiated by the Department of Health relating to a public health threat from tuberculosis shall not be revealed by the department, its authorized representatives, the courts, and other parties to the lawsuit except as permitted in s. 392.65.

**Section 392.65, F.S.** – All information and records held by the Department of Health and its authorized representatives relating to known or suspected cases of tuberculosis or exposure to tuberculosis shall be strictly confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Such information may not be released or made public by the department or its representatives, or by a court or parties to a lawsuit, except as authorized in the subsection. Except as provided in the section, information disclosed pursuant to a subpoena is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 393.0674, F.S.** – It is a third degree felony for any person to willfully, knowingly, or intentionally release information from the juvenile records, and a first degree misdemeanor for any person to willfully, knowingly, or intentionally release information from the criminal records or central abuse registry, of a person obtained under s. 393.0655, s. 393.066, or s. 393.067 to any other person for any purpose other than screening for employment as specified in those sections.

**Section 393.13(4)(i)1., F.S.** – Central client records of persons with developmental disabilities are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and no part of such records shall be released except as authorized in this paragraph.

**Section 394.4615(1) and (8), F.S.** – Clinical records of persons subject to “The Baker Act” are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Such records may be released only under the circumstances specified in the statute. Any person, agency, or entity receiving information pursuant to this section shall maintain such information as confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 394.464(1) and (3), F.S.** – All petitions for voluntary and involuntary admission for mental health treatment, court orders, and related records that are filed with or by a court under “The Baker Act” are confidential and exempt. Pleadings and other documents made confidential and exempt may be disclosed by the court upon request to certain persons and entities. The clerk may not publish personal identifying information on a court docket or in a publicly accessible file.

**Section 394.467(6)(a)3., F.S.** – The independent expert’s report which is submitted at a hearing on involuntary inpatient placement is confidential and not discoverable, unless the expert is to be called as a witness for the patient at the hearing.

**Section 394.47891(12), F.S.** – Information relating to a participant or a person considered for participation in a veterans treatment court program contained in specified records is confidential and exempt.

**Section 394.47892(8), F.S.** – Information relating to a participant or a person considered for participation in a mental health court program contained in specified records is confidential and exempt.

**Section 394.907(7), F.S.** – Records of quality assurance programs of community mental health centers which relate solely to actions taken in carrying out the provisions of this section and records obtained by the Department of Children and Family Services to determine licensee compliance with this section are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Meetings or portions

of meetings of quality assurance program committees that relate solely to actions taken pursuant to this section are exempt from s. 286.011.

**Section 394.921(2), F.S.** – Psychological or psychiatric reports, drug and alcohol reports, treatment records, medical records, or victim impact statements that have been submitted to the court or admitted into evidence in Jimmy Ryce Act proceedings shall be part of the record but shall be sealed and may be opened only pursuant to a court order.

**Section 395.0162(2), F.S.** – Any records, reports or documents which are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), shall not be distributed or made available for purposes of compliance with this section (relating to inspection reports of licensed facilities) unless or until such confidential status expires.

**Section 395.0193(4), F.S.** – Reports of final disciplinary actions taken by the governing board of a licensed facility pursuant to s. 395.0193(3) which have been forwarded to the Division of Health Quality Assurance of the Agency for Health Care Administration pursuant to this subsection are not subject to inspection under the provisions of s. 119.07(1), even if the division's investigation results in a finding of probable cause.

**Section 395.0193(7), F.S.** – The proceedings and records of peer review panels, committees, or governing boards of licensed facilities (i.e., a hospital or surgical facility licensed in accordance with Ch. 395) which relate solely to actions taken in carrying out this section (i.e., disciplinary proceedings against staff) are not subject to inspection under s. 119.07(1) and meetings held to achieve the objectives of such panels, committees or governing boards are not open to the public under Ch. 286.

**Section 395.0197(6)(c), F.S.** – The annual report submitted by a facility licensed under Ch. 395 (hospitals and surgical facilities) to the Agency for Health Care Administration concerning information on incidents as provided in this section is confidential and is not available to the public pursuant to s. 119.07(1) or any other law providing access to public records.

**Section 395.0197(7), F.S.** – An adverse incident report submitted by a facility licensed under Ch. 395 to the Agency for Health Care Administration pursuant to this subsection shall not be available to the public pursuant to s. 119.07(1) or any other law providing access to public records, except as authorized therein.

**Section 395.0197(13), F.S.** – Records of licensed facilities which are obtained by the Agency for Health Care Administration under cited subsections in order to carry out the provisions of this section relating to incidents and injuries are not available to the public under s. 119.07(1), nor shall they be discoverable or admissible in any civil or administrative action, except in disciplinary proceedings by the agencies set forth in the subsection.

**Section 395.0197(14), F.S.** – The meetings of the committees and governing board of a facility licensed under this chapter (hospitals and surgical facilities) held solely for the purpose of achieving the objectives of risk management as provided by this section shall not be open to the public under Ch. 286. The records of such meetings are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except as provided in subsection (13).

**Section 395.1025, F.S.** – Notification to an emergency medical technician, paramedic or other person that a patient they treated or transported has an infectious disease shall be done in a manner to protect the confidentiality of such patient information and shall not include the patient's name.

**Section 395.1056, F.S.** – Those portions of a comprehensive emergency management plan that address the response of a public or private hospital to an act of terrorism held by specified agencies are confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements but may be disclosed to another agency for anti-terrorism efforts as set forth in the exemption. That portion of a public meeting which would reveal information contained in a comprehensive emergency management plan that addresses the response of a hospital to an act of terrorism is exempt from open meetings requirements.

**Section 395.3025(4), F.S.** – Patient records are confidential and must not be disclosed without the consent of the patient or his or her legal representative except that appropriate disclosure may be made as provided in the subsection.

**Section 395.3025(7)(a), F.S.** – If the content of any patient treatment record is provided under this section, the recipient, if other than the patient or the patient’s representative, may use such information only for the purpose provided and may not further disclose any information unless expressly permitted by written consent of the patient. The content of such patient records is confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 395.3025(8), F.S.** – Patient records at hospitals and surgical facilities are exempt from disclosure under s. 119.07(1), except as provided in subsections (1) through (5) of this section.

**Section 395.3025(9), F.S.** – A facility licensed under Ch. 395 (hospitals and surgical facilities) may prescribe the content and custody of limited-access records which the facility may maintain on its employees. Such records are limited to information regarding evaluations of employee performance and shall be accessible only as provided in the subsection. Such limited-access employee records are exempt from s. 119.07(1) for a period of 5 years from the date such records are designated limited-access records.

**Section 395.3025(10) and (11), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, the home addresses, telephone numbers, and photographs of employees of any licensed hospital or surgical facility who provide direct patient care or security services, as well as specified information about the spouses and children of such employees, are confidential and exempt. The same information must also be held confidential by the facility upon written request by other employees who have a reasonable belief, based upon specific circumstances that have been reported in accordance with the procedure adopted by the facility, that release of the information may be used to threaten, intimidate, harass, inflict violence upon, or defraud the employee or any member of the employee’s family.

**Section 395.3035(2), F.S.** – Certain public hospital records and information, including contracts for managed care arrangements, strategic plans, trade secrets, as described in the subsection, are confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 395.3035(3), F.S.** – Those portions of a meeting of a public hospital’s governing board, relating to contract negotiations as described in the subsection are exempt from the public meeting requirements; however, all governing board meetings at which the board is scheduled to vote on contracts, except managed care contracts, are open to the public. All portions of a board meeting closed to the public shall be subject to procedural requirements as set forth in the subsection.

**Section 395.3035(4), F.S.** – Those portions of a meeting of a public hospital’s governing board at which written strategic plans that are confidential pursuant to s. 395.3035(2), are discussed, reported on, modified, or approved by the governing board are exempt from open meetings requirements provided that certain procedural requirements as set forth in the subsection are complied with.

**Section 395.3035(5), F.S.** – Any public records such as tapes, minutes, and notes, generated at a public hospital governing board meeting which is closed to the public pursuant to this section are confidential and exempt from disclosure. All such records shall be retained and shall cease to be exempt at the same time as the transcript of the meeting becomes available to the public.

**Section 395.3036, F.S.** – The records of a private entity that leases a public hospital or other public health care facility are confidential and exempt from disclosure and the meetings of the governing board of a private entity are exempt from open meetings requirements when the public lessor complies with the public finance accountability provisions of s. 155.40(18) with respect to the transfer of any public funds to the private lessee and when the private lessee meets at least 3 of 5 criteria set forth in the exemption.



**Section 395.4025(13), F.S.** – Patient care, transport, or treatment records or reports, or patient care quality assurance proceedings, records, or reports obtained or made pursuant to this section (relating to trauma centers) or pursuant to other statutes cited in the subsection, must be held confidential by the Department of Health and are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 395.51(1) and (2), F.S.** – Information which is confidential by operation of law and which is obtained by a trauma agency or committee assembled pursuant to s. 395.50, shall retain its confidential status and be exempt from s. 119.07(1). Such information which is obtained by a hospital or emergency medical services provider from a trauma agency or committee shall retain its confidential status and be exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 395.51(3), F.S.** – Portions of meetings, proceedings, reports and records of a trauma agency or committee assembled pursuant to this chapter, which relate solely to patient care quality assurance are confidential and exempt from s. 286.011. Patient care quality assurance, for the purpose of this section, shall include consideration of specific persons, cases, incidents relevant to the performance of quality control and system evaluation.

**Section 397.334(10), F.S.** – Information relating to a participant or a person considered for participation in a treatment-based drug court program which is contained in specified records is confidential and exempt. Disclosure is permitted under specified conditions.

**Section 397.4075(3), F.S.** – It is a third degree felony to willfully, knowingly, or intentionally release any criminal or juvenile information obtained under Ch. 397, “Substance Abuse Services,” for any purpose other than background checks of personnel for employment.

**Section 397.4103(5), F.S.** – Records of substance abuse service providers which relate solely to actions taken in carrying out this section relating to quality improvement and records obtained by the Department of Children and Families to determine a provider’s compliance with this section are confidential and exempt. Meetings or portions of meetings of quality improvement program committees that relate solely to actions taken pursuant to this section are exempt from s. 286.011.

**Section 397.501(7), F.S.** – Records of substance abuse service providers pertaining to the identity, diagnosis, and prognosis of and service provision to any individual are confidential in accordance with Ch. 397 and federal confidentiality regulations, and are exempt from disclosure. Such records may not be disclosed without the individual’s written consent except under circumstances specified in the subsection.

**Section 397.6760(1), F.S.** – Petitions for involuntary assessment and stabilization, court orders, related records, and personal identifying information regarding substance abuse impaired persons which are filed with or by a court under Part V of ch. 397, are confidential. Disclosure is authorized upon request to persons and entities specified in the exemption.

**Section 397.752, F.S.** – An inmate’s substance abuse service records are confidential in accordance with s. 397.501(7).

**Section 400.0077(1), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in the subsection, the following records relating to long-term care ombudsman councils are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1): resident records held by an ombudsman or by the state or a local ombudsman council; the names or identities of complainants or residents involved in a complaint; and any other information about a complaint.

**Section 400.0077(2), F.S.** – That portion of a long-term care ombudsman council meeting in which the council discusses information that is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) is closed to the public and exempt from s. 286.011.

**Section 400.022(1)(m), F.S.** – Personal and medical records of nursing home residents are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 400.0255(14), F.S.** – Except as provided in this subsection, in any proceeding under this section (relating to hearings of facility decisions to transfer or discharge nursing home residents) the following information concerning the parties is confidential and exempt from

disclosure: names and addresses, medical services provided, social and economic conditions, personal information evaluations, medical data, and information verifying income eligibility and amount of medical assistance payments.

**Section 400.119, F.S.** – Records of meetings of the risk management and quality assurance committee of a long-term care facility, as well as incident reports filed with the facility's risk manager and administrator, notifications of the occurrence of an adverse incident, and adverse-incident reports from the facility are confidential and exempt. Meetings of an internal risk management and quality assurance committee are exempt from open meetings requirements and are not open to the public.

**Section 400.494(1), F.S.** – Information about patients received by persons employed by, or providing services to, a home health agency or received by the licensing agency through reports or inspection is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall be disclosed only as authorized in the exemption.

**Section 400.611, F.S.** – The interdisciplinary record of hospice patient care and billing records are confidential and may not be released except as provided in the exemption. Information obtained from patient records by a state agency pursuant to its statutory authority to compile statistical data is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 400.945, F.S.** – Medical and personal identifying information about patients of a home medical equipment provider which is received by the licensing agency through reports or inspection is confidential and exempt.

**Section 401.30(3), F.S.** – Reports to the Department of Health from emergency medical services licensed pursuant to Part III, Ch. 401, which cover statistical data are public records except that the names of patients and other patient identifying information contained in such reports are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 401.30(4), F.S.** – Records of emergency calls which contain patient examination or treatment information are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), and may not be disclosed except as provided in the subsection.

**Section 401.414(3), F.S.** – A complaint concerning an alleged violation of Part III of Ch. 401, relating to emergency medical services, and all information obtained in the investigation by the Department of Health shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until 10 days after probable cause is found or the subject of the investigation waives confidentiality, whichever occurs first. However, the department is not prohibited from providing such information to a law enforcement or regulatory agency.

**Section 401.425(5), F.S.** – The records obtained or produced by an emergency medical review committee providing quality assurance activities as described in subsections (1) through (4) of the section are exempt from disclosure and committee proceedings and meetings regarding quality assurance activities are exempt from open meetings requirements.

**Sections 402.165(8) and 402.166(8), F.S.** – All information obtained or produced by the Florida Statewide Advocacy Council or by a local advocacy council that is made confidential by law, that relates to the identity of a client subject to the protections of this section, or that relates to the identity of an individual providing information to the council about abuse or alleged violations of rights, is confidential and exempt from disclosure. Portions of meetings before such councils relating to the identity of such individuals or where testimony is provided relating to records otherwise made confidential by law are not subject to open meetings requirements. All records prepared by council members which reflect a mental impression, investigative strategy, or theory are exempt from s. 119.07(1) until completion of the investigation or the investigation ceases to be active as defined in the section.

**Section 402.22(3), F.S.** – Statutory confidentiality requirements apply to information used by interdisciplinary teams involved in decisions regarding the design and delivery of specified services to students residing in residential care facilities operated by the Department of Children and Families and the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, and such information is exempt from



ss. 119.07(1) and 286.011.

**Section 402.308(3)(a), F.S.** – Disclosure of the social security number submitted by an applicant for a child care facility license issued by the Department of Children and Families shall be limited to child support enforcement purposes.

**Section 402.88(4), F.S.** – All records and personal identifying information related to the enrollment of persons in a persons with disabilities registry established pursuant to s. 402.88 and held by a local law enforcement agency are confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized by court order or as otherwise provided in the exemption.

**Section 403.067(7)(c)6., F.S.** – Agricultural records relating to production methods, profits, or financial information held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services in connection with its duties relating to water pollution reduction are confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 403.074(3), F.S.** – Proprietary information obtained by the Department of Environmental Protection during a visit to provide onsite technical assistance pursuant to the Pollution Prevention Act shall be treated in accordance with s. 403.111, unless such confidentiality is waived by the party who requested assistance.

**Section 403.111, F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this section, upon a determination of confidentiality by the Department of Environmental Protection in accordance with the standard and procedures established in subsection (1), specified manufacturing or financial information which is obtained through inspection or investigation by the department shall be exempt from s. 119.07(1), shall not be disclosed in public hearings, and shall be kept confidential by the department.

**Section 405.02, F.S.** – Research groups, governmental health agencies, medical societies and in-hospital medical staff committees may use or publish released information only for the purpose of advancing medical research or education.

**Section 405.03, F.S.** – The identity of any person treated or studied as provided in this chapter (relating to medical information available for research) shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 406.075(3)(b), F.S.** – All proceedings and findings of the probable cause panel investigating a medical examiner are exempt from s. 286.011 until probable cause has been found or the subject of the investigation waives confidentiality. The complaint, investigative findings, and recommendations of the probable cause panel are exempt from s. 119.07(1) until 10 days after probable cause has been found or until the subject has waived confidentiality. The commission may provide such information at any time to any law enforcement or regulatory agency.

**Section 406.135(2)(a), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, autopsy photographs and video and audio recordings of an autopsy held by the medical examiner are confidential and exempt from public disclosure.

**Section 406.135(2)(b), F.S.** – An autopsy report of a minor whose death was related to an act of domestic violence held by a medical examiner is confidential and exempt, except as provided in the exemption.

**Section 406.135(2)(c), F.S.** – An autopsy report of a person whose manner of death was suicide held by a medical examiner is confidential and exempt except as provided in the exemption.

**Section 408.061(1)(d), F.S.** – Specific provider contract reimbursement data which are obtained by the Agency for Health Care Administration from health care facilities, health care providers, or health insurers as a result of onsite inspections may not be used by the state for purposes of direct provider contracting and are confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 408.061(9), F.S.** – Portions of patient records obtained or generated by the Agency for Health Care Administration which contain identifying information of any person

or the spouse, relative, or guardian of such person or any other identifying information which is patient-specific or otherwise identifies the patient, either directly or indirectly, are confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 408.061(10), F.S.** – The identity of any health care provider, health care facility, or health care insurer who submits proprietary business information, as defined in the section, to the Agency for Health Care Administration is confidential and exempt from disclosure except as provided in the subsection.

**Section 408.061(12), F.S.** – Confidential health care information may be released to other governmental entities or to parties contracting with the Agency for Health Care Administration; however, the receiving entity shall retain the confidentiality of such information as provided in this section.

**Section 408.185, F.S.** – Trade secrets and other confidential proprietary business information submitted by a member of the health care community to the Office of the Attorney General pursuant to a request for an antitrust no-action letter are confidential and exempt from disclosure for one year after the date of submission.

**Section 408.910(14), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of an enrollee or participant in the Florida Health Choices Program is confidential and exempt from public disclosure. In addition, certain proprietary confidential business information is confidential.

**Section 409.1678(6), F.S.** – Information about the location of a safe house, safe foster home, or other residential facility serving victims of sexual exploitation, as defined in cited statute, which is held by an agency, is confidential and exempt; however, the information may be disclosed as provided in the exemption.

**Section 409.175(12), F.S.** – It is unlawful for any person, agency, family foster home, summer day camp, or summer 24-hour camp providing care for children to release information from the criminal or juvenile records obtained under this section to any other person for any purpose other than screening for employment as specified in this section.

**Section 409.175(16), F.S.** – Specified personal information about foster parent applicants, licensed foster parents, and the families of foster parent applicants and licensees, held by the Department of Children and Families is exempt from disclosure unless otherwise provided by a court or as provided in the exemption. The name, address, and telephone number of persons providing character or neighbor references are exempt.

**Section 409.176(12), F.S.** – It is unlawful for any person or facility to release information from the criminal or juvenile records obtained under Ch. 435, s. 409.175 or this section (relating to registration of residential child-caring agencies) for any purpose other than screening for employment as specified in those statutes.

**Section 409.25661, F.S.** – Information obtained by the Department of Revenue under an insurance claims data exchange system is confidential and exempt until such time as the department determines whether a match exists. If a match exists, such information becomes available for public disclosure. If a match does not exist, the nonmatch information shall be destroyed as provided in s. 409.25659, F.S.

**Section 409.2577, F.S.** – Information gathered or used by the parent locator service is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and such information may be made available only to the persons and agencies and for the purposes listed in the section.

**Section 409.2579, F.S.** – Information concerning applicants for or recipients of Title IV-D child support services is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). The use or disclosure of such information by the IV-D program is limited to the purposes, and subject to the limitations, set forth in the section.

**Section 409.441(4), F.S.** – All information about clients which is part of a runaway youth center's intake and client records system is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 409.821, F.S.** – Information identifying a Florida Kidcare applicant or enrollee held by specified agencies is confidential and exempt, and may be disclosed only as authorized in the exemption.

**Section 409.910(17)(i), F.S.** – All information obtained and documents prepared pursuant to an investigation of a Medicaid recipient, the recipient's legal representative, or any other person relating to an allegation of recipient fraud or theft is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1); until such time as the Agency for Health Care Administration takes final agency action; until the case is referred for criminal prosecution; until an indictment or information is filed in a criminal case; or at all times if otherwise protected by law.

**Section 409.91196(1) and (2), F.S.** – The rebate amount, percent of rebate, manufacturer's pricing, and supplemental rebate, and other trade secrets that the Agency for Health Care Administration has identified for use in negotiations, held by the agency under cited statute are confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements. That portion of a meeting of the Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee at which this information is discussed is exempt from public meetings requirements. A record of an exempt portion of a meeting must be made and maintained.

**Section 409.913(12), F.S.** – The complaint and all information obtained pursuant to an investigation of a Medicaid provider, or the authorized representative of a provider, relating to an allegation of fraud, abuse, or neglect are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until such time as the Agency for Health Care Administration takes final agency action; until the Attorney General refers the case for criminal prosecution; until 10 days after the complaint is determined to be without merit; or at all times if otherwise protected by law.

**Section 409.920(9)(f), F.S.** – Pursuant to the conduct of the statewide program of Medicaid fraud control, the Attorney General shall safeguard the privacy rights of all individuals and provide safeguards to prevent the use of patient medical records beyond the scope of a specific investigation of fraud or abuse without the patient's written consent.

**Section 410.037, F.S.** – Information about disabled adults receiving services under ss. 410.031-410.036 (relating to home care of disabled adults) which is received by the Department of Children and Families or its authorized employees, or by persons who provide services to disabled adults or elderly persons as volunteers or pursuant to contracts with the department is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Such information may not be disclosed publicly in a manner that identifies a disabled adult without the written consent of the person or his or her legal guardian.

**Section 410.605, F.S.** – Information about disabled adults receiving services under the Community Care for Disabled Adults Act which is received by the Department of Children and Families or its authorized employees, or by persons who provide services to disabled adults as volunteers or pursuant to contracts with the department is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Such information may not be disclosed publicly in a manner which would identify a disabled adult without the written consent of such person or the disabled adult's legal guardian.

**Section 413.012(1), F.S.** – All records furnished to the Division of Blind Services in connection with state or local vocational rehabilitation programs and containing information as to personal facts about applicants or clients given to the state or local vocational rehabilitation agency, its representatives or its employees in the course of the administration of the program including lists of names, addresses and records of client evaluations are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 413.341, F.S.** – Oral and written records, information, letters and reports received, made, or maintained by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of the Department of Education relative to any applicant or eligible individual are privileged, confidential, and exempt from s. 119.07(1), and may not be released except as provided in the section. Records that come into the possession of the division and that are confidential by other provisions of law are confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1), and may not be released by the division, except as provided in this section.

**Section 413.405(11), F.S.** – Meetings, hearings, and forums of the Florida Rehabilitation Council established to assist the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in the planning and development of statewide rehabilitation programs and services shall be open and accessible to the public unless there is a valid reason for an executive session.

**Section 413.615(7)(a) and (b), F.S.** – The identity of, and all information identifying, a donor or prospective donor to the Florida Endowment Foundation for Vocational Rehabilitation who desires to remain anonymous is confidential and exempt from disclosure. Portions of the meetings of the foundation during which the identity of donors or prospective donors is discussed are exempt from open meetings requirements. Records relating to clients or applicants to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation that come into the possession of the foundation and that are confidential by other provisions of law are confidential and exempt from disclosure, and may not be released by the foundation. Portions of meetings of the foundation during which the identities of such clients or applicants are discussed are exempt from open meetings requirements.

**Section 413.615(11), F.S.** – The identities of donors and prospective donors to the Florida Endowment Foundation for Vocational Rehabilitation who desire to remain anonymous shall be protected and the anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor's report.

**Section 414.106, F.S.** – That portion of a meeting held by the Department of Children and Families, CareerSource Florida, Inc., or a local workforce development board or local committee created pursuant to s. 455.007 at which personal identifying information contained in records relating to temporary cash assistance is discussed is exempt from open meetings requirements, if the information identifies a participant, a participant's family or household member.

**Section 414.295(1), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, personal identifying information of a temporary cash assistance program participant, a participant's family or a participant's family or household member, except for information identifying a noncustodial parent, held by the agencies set forth in the exemption, is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements.

**Section 415.1045(1)(a), F.S.** – All photographs and videotapes taken during the course of a protective investigation of alleged abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult are confidential and exempt from public disclosure as provided in s. 415.107.

**Section 415.107(1), F.S.** – All records concerning reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation of a vulnerable adult, including reports made to the central abuse hotline and all records generated as a result of such reports are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and may not be disclosed except as authorized in ss. 415.101-415.113.

**Section 415.107(3)(l), F.S.** – Access to records concerning reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation of a vulnerable adult shall be granted to any person in the event of the death of a vulnerable adult determined to be a result of abuse, neglect, or exploitation. Information identifying the person reporting abuse, neglect or exploitation shall not be released. Any information otherwise made confidential or exempt by law shall not be released pursuant to this paragraph.

**Section 415.107(6), F.S.** – The identity of any person reporting adult abuse, neglect or exploitation may not be released without that person's written consent to any person except as authorized in the subsection. This subsection grants protection only for the person who reports adult abuse, neglect or exploitation and protects only the fact that the person is the reporter.

**Section 415.1103(10), F.S.** – Confidential or exempt information obtained by an elder or vulnerable adult abuse fatality review team retains that status when held by the review team. Information contained in a record created by a review team that reveals the identity of a victim of abuse, exploitation or neglect or the identity of persons responsible for the welfare of such victim is confidential and exempt. Portions of review team meetings relating to abuse, exploitation, or neglect or abuse-related deaths of elderly persons or otherwise vulnerable adults, and the prevention of such abuse, exploitation, neglect, or deaths, during which exempt or confidential information, the identity of the victim, or the identity of persons responsible for the welfare of

the victim is discussed are exempt from open meetings requirements.

**Section 415.111(2), F.S.** – A person who knowingly and willfully makes public or discloses any confidential information contained in the central abuse hotline, or in other computer systems, or in the records of any case of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a vulnerable adult except as provided in ss. 415.101-415.113 commits a second degree misdemeanor.

**Section 420.6231, F.S.** – Individual identifying information of a person in specified homeless management information system is confidential and exempt. Release of aggregate information that does not disclose identifying information is not precluded.

**Section 427.705(6), F.S.** – The names, addresses, and telephone numbers provided to the Public Service Commission or administrator of the telecommunications access system established for the hearing impaired and speech impaired populations, by applicants for specialized telecommunications devices are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). The information may be released to contractors only for the purposes set forth in the subsection.

**Section 430.105, F.S.** – Personal identifying information in a record held by the Department of Elderly Affairs that relates to an individual's health or eligibility for or receipt of health-related, elder care, or long-term care services is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements. Such information may be disclosed to another governmental entity for the purpose of administering the department's programs for the elderly or if the affected individual or his or her legal representative provides written consent.

**Section 430.207, F.S.** – Information about functionally impaired elderly persons receiving services under the Community Care for the Elderly Act which is received by the Department of Elderly Affairs or its authorized employees, or by persons who provide services to functionally impaired elderly persons as volunteers or pursuant to contracts with the department is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 430.504, F.S.** – Information about clients of programs created or funded under s. 430.501 or s. 430.503 (relating to Alzheimer's Disease) which is received by the Department of Elderly Affairs or its authorized employees, or by persons who provide services to clients of programs created or funded under these sections as volunteers or pursuant to contracts with the department is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 430.608, F.S.** – Identifying information about elderly persons receiving services under ss. 430.601-430.606 which is collected and held by the Department of Elderly Affairs or its employees, by volunteers, or by persons who provide services to elderly persons under ss. 430.601-430.606 through contracts with the department, is confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 435.09, F.S.** – No criminal or juvenile information obtained under this section may be used for any other purpose than determining whether persons meet the minimum standards for employment or for an owner or director of a covered service provider. The criminal and juvenile records obtained by the department or employer are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 440.102(8), F.S.** – Except as provided in this subsection, all information, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda, and drug test results received or produced as a result of a drug-testing program are confidential and exempt from disclosure, and may not be used or received in evidence, obtained in discovery, or disclosed in any public or private proceedings except in accordance with this section or in determining compensability under the workers' compensation law.

**Section 440.108, F.S.** – All investigatory records made or received pursuant to s. 440.107, [relating to enforcement of employer compliance with workers' compensation coverage requirements], and any records necessary to complete an investigation held by the Department of Financial Services are confidential and exempt until the investigation is completed or ceases to be "active" as defined in the exemption. After the investigation is completed or ceases to be active, information in the records remains confidential and exempt if it would jeopardize the integrity of another active investigation; reveal a trade secret, business or personal financial information

or personal identifying information regarding the identity of a confidential informant; defame or cause unwarranted damage to the good name or reputation of an individual or jeopardize the safety of an individual, or reveal investigative techniques or procedures.

**Section 440.125, F.S.** – Medical records and reports of an injured employee and any information identifying an injured employee in medical bills provided to the Department of Financial Services pursuant to s. 440.13, are confidential and exempt, except as otherwise provided by this section and Ch. 440.

**Section 440.132, F.S.** – Investigatory records of the Agency for Health Care Administration made or received pursuant to s. 440.134, and any examination records necessary to complete an investigation are confidential and exempt, until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the subsection, except that medical records which specifically identify patients must remain confidential and exempt.

**Section 440.1851(1), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of an injured or deceased employee which is contained in records of the Department of Financial Services pursuant to the Workers’ Compensation Law is confidential, except as otherwise provided in the exemption.

**Section 440.25(3), F.S.** – Information from the files, reports, case summaries, mediator’s notes, or other communications or materials, oral or written, relating to a mediation conference under the Workers’ Compensation Law obtained by any person performing mediation duties is privileged and confidential and may not be disclosed without the written consent of all parties to the conference.

**Section 440.3851, F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, claims files of the Florida Self-Insurers Guaranty Association, Incorporated, and medical records that are part of a claims file and other information relating to the medical condition or medical status of a claimant, are confidential and exempt. Portions of meetings of the Association at which such confidential records are discussed are exempt from open meetings requirements.

**Section 440.39(7), F.S.** – Documents and inspection results produced pursuant to this subsection relating to investigation and prosecution of claims against third-party tortfeasors, are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 440.515, F.S.** – The Department of Financial Services shall maintain reports from self-insurers filed pursuant to former s. 440.51(6) as confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). The reports shall be released only as authorized in this section.

**Section 443.101(11)(c), F.S.** – Disclosure of drug tests and other information pertaining to drug testing of individuals who receive compensation under this chapter (Reemployment Assistance) shall be governed by s. 443.1715.

**Section 443.1316(2)(b), F.S.** – Provisions of cited statutes which relate to confidentiality of records apply to collection of reemployment assistance contributions and reimbursements by the Department of Revenue unless prohibited by federal law.

**Section 443.1715(1), F.S.** – Except as provided in the subsection, information revealing an employing unit’s or individual’s identity obtained from an employing unit or any individual under the administration of Ch. 443 (Reemployment Assistance), is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and may be disclosed only as authorized in the subsection.

**Section 443.1715(3)(b), F.S.** – Unless otherwise authorized by law, information described in the subsection and received by an employer through a drug-testing program, or obtained by a public employee under this chapter (Reemployment Assistance) is confidential and exempt until introduced into the public record under a hearing conducted under s. 443.151(4).

**Section 447.205(10), F.S.** – Deliberations of the Public Employees Relations Commission in any proceeding before it are exempt from s. 286.011 except any hearing held or oral argument heard by the commission pursuant to Ch. 120 or Ch. 447 shall be open to the public. All draft orders developed in preparation for or preliminary to the issuance of a final written order are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).



**Section 447.307(2), F.S.** – The petitions and dated statements signed by employees regarding whether employees desire to be represented in a proposed bargaining unit are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except that an employee, employer, or employee organization shall be given an opportunity to verify and challenge signatures as provided in the subsection.

**Section 447.605(1), F.S.** – All discussions between the chief executive officer of a public employer, or his or her representative, and the legislative body or the public employer relative to collective bargaining shall be closed and exempt from s. 286.011.

**Section 447.605(3), F.S.** – All work products developed by the public employer in preparation for and during collective bargaining negotiations shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 455.213(10), F.S.** – Disclosure of a license applicant’s social security number obtained by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation pursuant to this section shall be limited to the purpose of administration of the child support enforcement program and use by the department, and as otherwise provided by law.

**Section 455.217(5), F.S.** – Meetings and records of meetings of any member of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation or of any board within the department held for the exclusive purpose of creating or reviewing licensure examination questions or proposed examination questions are confidential and exempt from ss. 119.07(1) and 286.011.

**Section 455.2235(3), F.S.** – Information relating to the mediation of a case pursuant to this section shall be subject to the confidentiality provisions of s. 455.225.

**Section 455.225(2), F.S.** – For cases dismissed prior to a finding of probable cause, the report submitted by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation regarding dismissal of a complaint which the department has previously determined to be legally sufficient is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 455.225(4), F.S.** – All proceedings of a probable cause panel of a board within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation are exempt from s. 286.011 until 10 days after the panel finds probable cause or until the subject of the investigation waives confidentiality.

**Section 455.225(10), F.S.** – The complaint and all information obtained pursuant to an investigation by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), until 10 days after probable cause has been found or until the regulated professional or subject of the investigation waives confidentiality, whichever is first. However, this exemption does not apply to actions against unlicensed persons pursuant to s. 455.228 or the applicable practice act.

**Section 455.229(1) and (2), F.S.** – Information required by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation of an applicant is open to public inspection pursuant to s. 119.07, except financial information, medical information, school transcripts, examination questions, answers, papers, grades and grading keys, which are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall not be discussed with or made accessible to anyone except as provided in the subsection. Information supplied to the department which is exempt or confidential remains exempt or confidential while in the custody of the department. Examination questions and answers may be considered only in camera in any Ch. 120 administrative proceeding. Examination questions and answers provided at the hearing are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) unless invalidated by the administrative law judge.

**Section 455.232(1), F.S.** – No officer, employee or person under contract with the Department of Business and Professional Regulation or any board therein, or any subject of an investigation shall convey knowledge or information to any person not lawfully entitled to such information or knowledge about any meeting or public record, which at the time such knowledge or information is conveyed, is exempt from ss. 119.01, 119.07(1) or 286.011.

**Section 455.32(15), F.S.** – The exemptions set forth in cited provisions of Ch. 455, relating



to records of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, also apply to records held by the corporation with which the department contracts pursuant to the Management Privatization Act.

**Section 456.014(1) and (2), F.S.** – Information required by the Department of Health of an applicant is open to public inspection pursuant to s. 119.07, except financial information, medical information, school transcripts, examination questions, answers, papers, grades and grading keys, which are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall not be discussed with or made accessible to anyone except as provided in the subsection. Examination questions and answers may be considered only in camera in any Ch. 120 administrative proceeding. Examination questions and answers provided at the hearing are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) unless invalidated by the administrative law judge.

**Section 456.017(4), F.S.** – Meetings of any member of the Department of Health or of any board within the department held for the exclusive purpose of creating or reviewing licensure examination questions or proposed examination questions are exempt from open meetings requirements and any public records such as tape recordings, minutes, or notes, generated during or as a result of such meetings are confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 456.046, F.S.** – A patient name or other information that identifies a patient which is in a record obtained by the Department of Health for the purpose of compiling a practitioner profile pursuant to s. 456.041 is confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 456.051(1), F.S.** – The report of a claim or action for damages for personal injury which is required to be filed with the Department of Health under cited statutes is public information except for the name of the claimant or injured person, which remains confidential.

**Section 456.057(7)(a), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in the exemption, patient records generated by health care practitioners may not be furnished to any person other than the patient, the patient's legal representative, or other health care practitioners and providers involved in the patient's care and treatment.

**Section 456.057(9), F.S.** – All patient records obtained by the Department of Health and any other documents maintained by the department which identify the patient by name are confidential and exempt and shall be used solely for the purpose of the department and the appropriate board in disciplinary proceedings.

**Section 456.073(2), F.S.** – For cases dismissed prior to a finding of probable cause, the report submitted by the Department of Health regarding dismissal of a complaint which the department has previously determined to be legally sufficient is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 456.073(4), F.S.** – All proceedings of a probable cause panel of a board within the Department of Health are exempt from s. 286.011 until 10 days after the panel finds probable cause or until the subject of the investigation waives confidentiality.

**Section 456.073(9)(c), F.S.** – The identity of the expert whose report supported the Department of Health's recommendation for closure of a complaint, which report is provided to the complainant in accordance with this paragraph, shall remain confidential.

**Section 456.073(10), F.S.** – Except as provided in this subsection, a complaint and all information obtained pursuant to an investigation by the Department of Health is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), until 10 days after probable cause has been found or until the regulated professional or subject of the investigation waives confidentiality, whichever is first.

**Section 456.076(13), F.S.** – All information obtained by the consultant pursuant to the impaired practitioner program provided by this section is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), F.S.

**Section 456.078(4), F.S.** – Information relating to the mediation of a case pursuant to this section shall be subject to the confidentiality provisions of s. 456.073.

**Section 456.082, F.S.** – No officer, employee or person under contract with the Department of Health, or any subject of an investigation shall convey knowledge or information to any person not lawfully entitled to such information or knowledge about any meeting or public record, which at the time such knowledge or information is conveyed, is exempt from ss. 119.01, 119.07(1) or 286.011.

**Section 456.4503, F.S.** – A physician's personal identifying information, other than the name, licensure status, or licensure number, obtained from the coordinated information system described in cited law and held by specified agencies is exempt unless disclosure is authorized by law in the sending state. Portions of meetings of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission are exempt under specified circumstances.

**Section 458.3193, F.S.** – All personal identifying information contained in records provided by physicians licensed under chapter 458 or 459 in response to physician workforce surveys required as a condition of license renewal and held by the Department of Health is confidential and exempt, and shall be disclosed only as provided in the subsection. NOTE: Also published in s. 459.0083, F.S.

**Section 458.331(1)(s), F.S.** – If the Department of Health files a petition for enforcement against a physician pursuant to this paragraph, the licensee shall not be named or identified by initials in any public court records or documents, and the proceedings shall be closed to the public. *See also* ss. 457.109(1)(o) (acupuncturist); 459.015(1)(w) (osteopathic physician); 464.018(1)(j) (nurse); 466.028(1)(s) (dentist), and 486.125(1)(a)1., F.S. (physical therapist).

**Section 458.337(3), F.S.** – Records of a medical organization or hospital taking disciplinary action against a physician which have been furnished to the Department of Health for the purpose of disciplinary proceedings shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 458.339(3), F.S.** – Medical reports pertaining to the mental and physical condition of physicians which are maintained by the Department of Health pursuant to this section shall remain confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until probable cause is found and an administrative complaint is issued.

**Section 458.341, F.S.** – Patient medical records obtained during a search of a physician's office by the Department of Health pursuant to this section are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 459.016(3), F.S.** – Records of a medical organization taking disciplinary action against an osteopathic physician which have been furnished to the Department of Health for the purpose of disciplinary proceedings shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 459.017(3), F.S.** – Medical reports pertaining to the mental and physical condition of osteopathic physicians which are maintained by the Department of Health pursuant to this section shall remain confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until probable cause is found and an administrative complaint issued.

**Section 459.018, F.S.** – Patient medical records obtained during a search of an osteopathic physician's office by the Department of Health pursuant to this section are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 464.0096, F.S.,** – Specified records obtained from the coordinated licensure health information system established in s. 464.0095 are exempt as are portions of meetings of the Interstate Commission of Nurse Licensure Compact Administrators where exempt records are discussed.

**Section 464.208(2), F.S.** – Criminal records or juvenile records relating to vulnerable adults that are obtained by the Board of Nursing for purposes of determining whether a person meets the requirements of Part II of Ch. 464, relating to certified nursing assistants are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 465.017(3), F.S.** – Except as permitted in the enumerated chapters, records maintained in a pharmacy relating to the filling of prescriptions and the dispensing of medicinal

drugs shall not be furnished to persons other than the patient or legal representative, or to the department or to the patient's spouse if the patient is incapacitated and has provided written authorization. Rules adopted by the Board of Pharmacy relative to disposal of records of prescription drugs shall be consistent with the duty to preserve the confidentiality of such records in accordance with applicable state and federal law.

**Section 466.022(3), F.S.** – Peer review information regarding dentists obtained by the Department of Health as background information shall remain confidential and exempt from ss. 119.07(1) and 286.011 regardless of whether probable cause is found.

**Section 466.0275(2), F.S.** – Medical reports pertaining to the mental and physical condition of dentists which are maintained by the Department of Health pursuant to this section shall remain confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until probable cause is found and an administrative complaint is issued.

**Section 466.041(3), F.S.** – Any report of hepatitis B carrier status filed by a licensee or applicant in compliance with the requirements established by the Board of Dentistry shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except for the purpose of investigation or prosecution of an alleged violation of this chapter by the Department of Health.

**Section 468.1336, F.S.** – An audiologist's or speech-language pathologist's personal identifying information, other than the name, licensure status, or licensure number, obtained from the coordinated database and reporting system described in cited law and held by specified agencies is exempt unless disclosure is authorized by law in the sending state. Portions of meetings of the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact Commission are exempt when exempt records are discussed.

**Section 471.038(7), F.S.** – The exemptions set forth in ss. 455.217, 455.225, and 455.229, for records of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation apply to records created or maintained by the Florida Engineers Management Corporation, except as provided in the subsection.

**Section 472.0131(5), F.S.** – Meetings and records of meetings of any member of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services or of the Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers held for the exclusive purpose of creating or reviewing licensure examination questions or proposed examination questions are confidential and exempt; however, the exemption does not affect the right of a person to review an examination as provided in subsection (3).

**Section 472.0201(1) and (2), F.S.** – All information required by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services of any applicant shall be a public record and open to public inspection except financial information, medical information, school transcripts, examination questions, answers, papers, grades, and grading keys, which are confidential and exempt and shall not be discussed with or made accessible to anyone except as provided therein. Any information supplied to the department by any other agency which is exempt from Ch. 119 or is confidential shall remain exempt or confidential pursuant to applicable law while in the custody of the department. Examination questions and answers provided by the department to an administrative law judge in an administrative hearing are confidential and exempt unless invalidated by the administrative law judge.

**Section 472.02011, F.S.** – An officer, employee, or person under contract with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services or the Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers, or any subject of an investigation may not convey knowledge or information to any person who is not lawfully entitled to such knowledge or information about any public meeting or public record, which at the time such knowledge or information is conveyed is exempt from disclosure.

**Section 472.033(2), (4), and (10), F.S.** – For cases involving a complaint to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services that are dismissed before a finding of probable cause, the report of the department is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). All proceedings of the probable cause panel are exempt from s. 286.011 until 10 days after probable

cause has been found to exist by the panel or until the subject of the investigation waives his or her privilege of confidentiality. The complaint and all information obtained pursuant to the investigation by the department are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until 10 days after probable cause has been found to exist by the probable cause panel or by the department, or until the regulated professional or subject of the investigation waives his or her privilege of confidentiality, whichever occurs first. However, the exemption does not apply to actions against unlicensed persons pursuant to s. 472.036.

**Section 474.214(1)(h), F.S.** – If the Department of Business and Professional Regulation files a petition for enforcement against a veterinarian pursuant to this paragraph, the licensee shall not be named or identified by initials in any other public court records and the enforcement proceedings shall be closed.

**Section 474.2167, F.S.** – Animal medical records held by a state college of veterinary medicine are confidential and exempt.

**Section 474.2185, F.S.** – Medical reports pertaining to the mental and physical condition of veterinarians which are maintained by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation pursuant to this section shall remain confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until probable cause is found and an administrative complaint is issued.

**Section 481.205(3)(a), F.S.** – Complaints and any information obtained pursuant to an investigation by the Board of Architecture and Interior Design are confidential and exempt from disclosure as provided in s. 455.225(2) and (10), F.S.

**Section 486.113, F.S.** – A physical therapist's or physical therapist assistant's personal identifying information, other than the name, licensure status, or licensure number, obtained from the coordinated database and reporting system described in cited law and held by specified agencies is exempt unless disclosure is authorized by law in the sending state. Portions of meetings of the Physical Therapy Compact Commission or the executive board or a committee are exempt when specified information is discussed.

**Section 487.031(5), F.S.** – Information relative to formulas of products acquired by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to the registration of pesticides is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 487.041(5), F.S.** – Confidential data received from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services by governmental agencies in providing review and comment to the department regarding pesticide registration shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 490.0076, F.S.** – A psychologist's personal identifying information, other than the psychologist's name, licensure status, or licensure number, obtained from the coordinated licensure information system, as described in s. 490.0075, and held by the Department of Health or the Board of Psychology is exempt from disclosure requirements unless disclosure is authorized by the state that originally reported the information to the information system. A meeting or portions of a meeting of the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact Commission, established in s. 490.0075, at which matters specifically exempted from disclosure by state or federal statute are discussed is exempt from s. 286.011. Records generated during an exempt meeting are exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 491.017** – The Counseling Compact Commission or the executive committee or other committees of the commission may convene in a closed, nonpublic meeting if specified topics must be discussed. If a meeting is closed, the commission's counsel must certify that the meeting may be closed and must reference each relevant exempting provision. Minutes must be kept as described in the exemption. The minutes and documents of a closed meeting must remain under seal subject to release as provided in the exemption.

**Section 491.018, F.S.** – A counselor's personal identifying information, other than the counselor's name licensure status, or licensure number obtained from the data system, as described in Article X of s. 491.017, and held by the Department of Health or the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling is exempt from disclosure

requirements unless disclosure is authorized by the state that originally reported the information to the data system. A meeting or portions of a meeting of the Counseling Compact Commission, or the executive committee or other committees of the commission, at which matters specifically exempted from disclosure by state or federal law are discussed is exempt. Records generated during an exempt meeting are exempt.

**Section 493.6121(5), F.S.** – Criminal justice information submitted to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to the department’s prescribed duties relating to licensure of private investigative, private security, and repossession services, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 493.6121(7), F.S.** – An investigation conducted by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to this chapter relating to private investigative, private security, and repossession services, is exempt from s. 119.07(1) until a probable cause determination has been made, the case is closed prior to a determination of probable cause, or the subject of the investigation waives confidentiality.

**Section 493.6122, F.S.** – The residence telephone number and residence address of certain licensees maintained by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except that this information may be provided to law enforcement agencies. When the residence telephone number or address is or appears to be the business telephone number or address, this information is public record.

**Section 494.00125(1), F.S.** – Except as provided therein, information relating to an investigation by the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to the Mortgage Brokerage and Mortgage Lending Act, including any consumer complaint received by the office or the Department of Financial Services, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active” as defined in the subsection, unless disclosure would result in certain enumerated consequences. If the investigation could endanger the safety of employees or their families, specified information about such personnel and their families is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 494.00125(2), F.S.** – All audited statements submitted pursuant to this act (relating to mortgage brokerage and lending) are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except that employees of the Office of Financial Regulation shall have access to such information in the administration and enforcement of the act and prosecution of violations.

**Section 494.00125(3), F.S.** – Credit history information and credit scores held by the Office of Financial Regulation and related to licensing under ss. 494.001-494.0077 are confidential and exempt except as provided therein.

**Section 497.172(1), F.S.** – Portions of meetings of the Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services at which licensure examination questions or answers are discussed are exempt from open meetings requirements; however, the closed meetings must be recorded. Such recordings are exempt from disclosure.

**Section 497.172(2), F.S.** – Meetings of the probable cause panel of the Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services, pursuant to s. 497.153 are exempt from open meeting requirements although such meetings must be recorded. Records of exempt meetings of the probable cause panel are exempt from disclosure requirements until 10 days after a determination regarding probable cause is made.

**Section 497.172(3) and (4), F.S.** – Except as provided therein, information held by the Department of Financial Services pursuant to a financial examination or inspection under Ch. 497 is confidential and exempt until the examination or inspection is completed or ceases to be active. Information held by the department relating to an investigation of a violation of Ch. 497 is confidential and exempt until the investigation is completed or ceases to be active or until 10 days after a determination regarding probable cause is made. Trade secrets are confidential and exempt.

**Section 499.051(7)(a)(b), F.S.** – The complaint and all information obtained pursuant

to an investigation by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation under the Florida Drug and Cosmetic Act are confidential and exempt from disclosure until the investigation and enforcement action are completed. Disclosure is authorized as provided in the exemption.

**Section 500.148(1), F.S.** – The complaint and all information deemed confidential under cited federal enactments and which is provided to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services during a joint food safety or food illness investigation, as a requirement for conducting a federal-state contract or partnership activity, or for regulatory review, is confidential and exempt and may not be disclosed except as provided in the exemption.

**Section 501.171(11), F.S.** – Information received by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to a notice of a data breach or pursuant to certain investigations is confidential and exempt until the investigation is completed or ceases to be active, although certain information remains confidential. Disclosure is authorized under specified circumstances.

**Section 501.1735(6), F.S.** – All information received by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to a notification of a violation of s. 501.1735, relating to protection of children in online spaces, or received by the department pursuant to an investigation by the department or a law enforcement agency of a violation of that section is confidential and exempt until such time as the investigation is completed or ceases to be active, although certain information remains confidential. Disclosure is authorized as provided in the exemption.

**Section 501.1736(11), F.S.** – All information held by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to a notification of a violation or an investigation of a violation of this section relating to certain social media violations is confidential and exempt until the investigation is completed or ceases to be active although specified information remains confidential. Certain disclosures are authorized.

**Section 501.1737(9)(a), F.S.** – All information held by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to a notification of a violation or an investigation of a violation of this section relating to certain age verification violations is confidential and exempt until the investigation is completed or ceases to be active although specified information remains confidential. Certain disclosures are authorized.

**Section 501.2041(10)(a), F.S.** – All information received by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to an investigation by the department or a law enforcement agency into certain prohibited social media platform activities is confidential and exempt 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), F.S. Specified information as described in the exemption remains confidential after the investigation is completed or ceases to be active.

**Section 501.2065, F.S.** – Criminal or civil intelligence, investigative information, or any other information held by any state or federal agency that is obtained by the Department of Legal Affairs in the course of an investigation under Part II of Ch. 501 and that is confidential or exempt from s. 119.07(1) retains its status as confidential or exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 501.722, F.S.** – All information received by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to a notification of a violation of part V of ch. 501, relating to certain data privacy provisions, or received by the department pursuant to an investigation by the department or law enforcement agency of a violation of that part, is confidential and exempt until such time as the investigation is completed or ceases to be active, although specified information remains confidential. Disclosure is authorized as provided in the exemption. This exemption takes effect on July 1, 2024.

**Section 517.12(13), F.S.** – Currency transaction reports filed with the Office of Financial Regulation by dealers and investment advisers pursuant to this subsection are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) except as provided in the subsection.

**Sections 517.2015 (securities) and 520.9965 (retail installment sales), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, information relating to an investigation by the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to the Florida Securities and Investor Protection Act, or pursuant to the



retail installment sales laws, including a consumer complaint, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active” as defined in the subsection, unless disclosure would result in any of the enumerated consequences. If the investigation could endanger the safety of employees or their families, specified information about such personnel and their families is confidential and exempt.

**Section 517.2016, F.S.** – Information that would reveal examination techniques or procedures used by the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to the Florida Securities and Investor Protection Act is confidential and exempt.

**Section 526.311(2), F.S.** – Any records, documents, or other business material, regardless of form or characteristics, obtained by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services in an investigation of an alleged violation of the Motor Fuel Marketing Practices Act are confidential and exempt from disclosure, while the investigation is pending. At the conclusion of the investigation, any matter determined by the department or by a state or federal judicial or administrative body to be a trade secret or proprietary confidential business information held by the department pursuant to such investigation shall be confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 527.0201(8), F.S.** – Liquefied petroleum gas competency examinations of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services are confidential and exempt.

**Section 527.062(1), F.S.** – Information compiled by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to an investigation of an accident involving liquefied petroleum gas or equipment is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active” as defined in the subsection.

**Section 539.003, F.S.** – Except as provided in the subsection, records relating to pawnbroker transactions delivered to appropriate law enforcement officials are confidential and exempt.

**Section 542.28(9), F.S.** – Notwithstanding s. 119.07(1), it is the duty of the Attorney General or a state attorney to maintain the secrecy of all evidence, testimony, documents, work product, or other results of an investigative demand relevant to an antitrust investigation; however, the Attorney General or state attorney may disclose such investigative evidence to the agencies enumerated in the section.

**Section 548.021(2), F.S.** – Disclosure of a license applicant’s social security number which is obtained by the State Athletic Commission pursuant to the statute is limited to child support enforcement purposes.

**Section 548.062(2), F.S.** – Proprietary confidential business information, as defined in the exemption, provided by a promoter to the Florida State Boxing Commission or obtained by the commission through an audit of a promoter’s books and records is confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized under specified circumstances.

**Section 550.0251(9), F.S.** – All information obtained by the Florida Gaming Control Commission pursuant to an investigation for an alleged violation of the chapter or rules of the division is exempt from disclosure until an administrative complaint is issued or the investigation is closed or ceases to be active, as defined therein. The division may, however, provide information to any law enforcement agency or other regulatory agency. With the exception of active criminal intelligence or criminal investigative information and any other information that, if disclosed, would jeopardize the safety of an individual, all other information, records and transcriptions become public when the investigation is closed or ceases to be active.

**Section 550.2415(1)(a), F.S.** – Test results and the identities of racing animals being tested and of their trainers and owners are confidential and exempt for 10 days after testing of all samples collected on a particular day has been completed and any positive test results derived from such samples have been reported to the director of the Florida Gaming Control Commission or administrative action has been commenced.

**Section 556.113, F.S.** – Proprietary confidential business information held by Sunshine



State One-Call of Florida, Inc., for the purpose of describing the extent and root cause of damage to an underground facility or using the member ticket management software system is exempt.

**Section 559.5558(2), F.S.** – Information held by the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to an investigation or examination of a violation of statutes relating to consumer collection practices is confidential and exempt until the investigation or examination is complete or no longer active. Disclosure is authorized to a law enforcement agency or another administrative agency in the performance of its official duties and responsibilities. However, specified information, including certain consumer information, remains confidential.

**Section 559.952(5)(h), F.S.** – Certain information provided to and held by the Office of Financial Regulation in a Financial Technology Sandbox application by specified providers of innovative financial products or services is confidential and exempt. Confidential information may be released as provided in the exemption.

**Section 560.129, F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in the exemption, information concerning an investigation or examination by the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to this chapter (Money Services Businesses), including any consumer complaint received by the office or the Department of Financial Services, is confidential and exempt from disclosure until the investigation or examination ceases to be “active” as that term is defined in the exemption. Confidentiality is also provided for other records such as trade secrets and personal financial records. Other records may also remain confidential if disclosure would result in any of the consequences listed in the exemption. Quarterly reports submitted under s.560.118(2) are confidential.

**Section 560.312(1)(2), F.S.** – Payment instrument transaction information held by the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to s. 560.310, F.S. (check cashing and foreign currency exchangers) which identifies a licensee, payor, payee, or conductor is confidential and exempt, except as provided in the exemption.

**Section 560.4041, F.S.** – Information that identifies a drawer or deferred presentment provider contained in the database authorized under s. 560.404, is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements and may not be released except as provided in the subsection.

**Section 561.19(2)(b), F.S.** – Any portion of the drawing results of a particular county to determine which applicants are to be considered for beverage licenses which reveals the rank order of persons not receiving notice of selection is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), until such time as all of the licenses from that county’s drawing have been issued.

**Section 569.215(1), F.S.** – Proprietary confidential business information received by specified state officials or outside counsel representing the state for the purpose of negotiation or verification of annual tobacco settlement payments is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements.

**Section 570.077, F.S.** – Information held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as part of a joint or multi-agency examination or investigation with another state or federal regulatory, administrative or criminal justice agency which is confidential or exempt under the laws or regulations of that state or federal agency is confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized under specified circumstances. The exemption does not apply to information held by the department as part of an independent examination or investigation conducted by the department.

**Section 570.544(8), F.S.** – Records of the Division of Consumer Services of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services are public records; however, customer lists, customer names, and trade secrets are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Disclosure necessary to enforcement procedures does not violate this prohibition.

**Section 570.686, F.S.** – The identity of a donor to the Florida Agriculture Center and Horse Park Authority, if requested by the donor in writing, is confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 570.691(6), F.S.** – The identity of a donor or prospective donor to a direct-support organization established to assist programs of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services who desires to remain anonymous and all information identifying such donor or prospective donor is confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 570.715(5), F.S.** – Appraisal reports for conservation easement acquisition are confidential and exempt, for use by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, until an option contract is executed or, if no option contract is executed, until 2 weeks before a contract or agreement for purchase is considered for approval by the board of trustees. However, disclosure is authorized under some circumstances, as described in the paragraph. The department may release a report when the passage of time has rendered the conclusions of value invalid or when the department has terminated negotiations.

**Section 570.822(8)(a)(b), F.S.** – Tax returns, credit history information, credit reports, and credit scores held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to its administration of the Agriculture and Aquaculture Producers Natural Disaster Recovery Loan Program are exempt from disclosure requirements. Disclosure of information in an aggregated and anonymized format is not prohibited.

**Section 581.199, F.S.** – It is unlawful for any authorized representative who in an official capacity obtains under the provisions of this chapter (relating to plant industry) any information entitled to protection as a trade secret, as defined in s. 812.081, to reveal that information to any unauthorized person.

**Section 585.611(1), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of those persons employed by, under contract with, or volunteering for a public research facility, including a state university, that conducts animal research is exempt from disclosure when such information is contained in specified records relating to animal research.

**Section 595.409(1)(2), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of an applicant for or participant in a school food and nutrition service program held by the Departments of Agriculture and Consumer Services, or Education is exempt. Such information shall be disclosed as provided in the exemption.

**Section 597.0042, F.S.** – Certain aquaculture records held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services are confidential and exempt. Disclosure to another governmental entity in the performance of its duties is authorized.

**Section 601.10(8), F.S.** – Any non published reports or data related to studies or research conducted, caused to be conducted, or funded by the Department of Citrus under s.601.13, is confidential and exempt.

**Section 607.0505(6), F.S.** – Information provided to, and records and transcripts obtained by, the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to this section relating to corporations or alien business organizations are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) while the investigation is active. The department shall not disclose confidential information, records, or transcripts except as authorized by the Attorney General in the circumstances listed in the subsection. Similar confidentiality provisions exist relating to information received by the department regarding nonprofit corporations (s. 617.0503(6)).

**Section 616.242(14)(b), F.S.** – All investigatory records made or received by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to an amusement ride investigation are confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements until the investigation is completed or cases to be “active” as that term is defined in the exemption.

**Section 624.23, F.S.** – Personal financial and health information as defined therein held by the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation relating to a consumer’s complaint or inquiry regarding a matter or activity regulated under the Florida Insurance Code or s. 440.191 is confidential and exempt. The confidential and exempt information may be disclosed to the persons and entities described in the exemption.

**Section 624.231, F.S.** – If the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation determines that any portion of a record requested by a person is exempt pursuant to Ch. 119, the insurance code, or Ch. 641, the department or office shall disclose to the person in writing that the requested record will be provided in a redacted format and that there will be additional fees charged for staff time associated with researching and redacting the exempt portion of the record. Before the department or office provides the record, the person must affirm his or her request to receive the record.

**Section 624.310(3)(f), F.S.** – An emergency order entered by the Office of Insurance Regulation or the Department of Financial Services against a licensee or affiliated party under this subsection is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until made permanent, unless the department or office finds that the confidentiality will result in substantial risk of financial loss to the public. Emergency cease and desist orders that are not made permanent are available for public inspection 1 year from the date the emergency order expires; however, portions of such order shall remain confidential if disclosure would result in any of the consequences listed in the paragraph.

**Section 624.311(2), F.S.** – Records of insurance claim negotiations of any state agency or political subdivision are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until termination of all litigation and settlement of all claims arising out of the same incident.

**Section 624.319(3), F.S.** – Examination reports of insurers prepared by the Office of Insurance Regulation or the Department of Financial Services or its examiner pursuant to this section are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until filed. Investigation reports are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the paragraph. After an investigation is completed or ceases to be active, portions of such records shall remain confidential and exempt if disclosure would result in any of the consequences listed in the paragraph. Work papers held by the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation are confidential and exempt from disclosure until the examination report is filed or until the investigation is complete or no longer active; however, portions of work papers may remain confidential under the conditions specified therein. Information received from another governmental entity or the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, which is confidential or exempt when held by that entity, for the department’s or office’s use in the performance of its examination or investigation duties are confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements. Lists of insurers or regulated companies are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), if the conditions set forth in the paragraph apply.

**Section 624.40851(1) and (2), F.S.** – Risk-based capital plans and reports as described in the exemption that are held by the Office of Insurance Regulation, as well as specified additional related materials, are confidential and exempt from disclosure. Hearings relating to the office’s actions regarding such risk-based capital records, are exempt from open meetings requirements, subject to specified conditions.

**Section 624.4212(2)(3)(4), F.S.** – Certain proprietary confidential business information held by the Office of Insurance Regulation, specified reports submitted, and confidential information received from other jurisdictions which is held by the Office relating to insurer valuation and solvency, are confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized under specified circumstances.

**Section 624.82(1), F.S.** – Orders, records, and other information in the possession of the Office of Insurance Regulation relating to the supervision of any insurer are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except as otherwise provided in this section. Proceedings and hearings relating to the office’s supervision of any insurer are exempt from s. 286.011, except as otherwise provided in this section.

**Section 624.86, F.S.** – During the period of administrative supervision, the Office of Insurance Regulation may meet with a supervisor appointed under this part or representatives of the supervisor, and such meetings are exempt from s. 286.011.

**Section 625.121(3)(a)9., F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, a

memorandum or other material in support of the actuarial opinion required to be furnished to the Office of Insurance Regulation under this subsection, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and is not subject to subpoena or discovery directly from the Office.

**Section 625.1214(1), F.S.** – Documents, reports, materials, and other information created, produced, or obtained pursuant to ss. 625.121 and 625.0212 (valuation of policies and contracts) are privileged, confidential, and exempt as provided in s. 624.4212, and are not subject to subpoena or discovery directly from the Office of Insurance Regulation.

**Section 626.511(3), F.S.** – Any information or record regarding the termination of an appointment which is furnished to the Office of Insurance Regulation or the Department of Financial Services under this section is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 626.601(6), F.S.** – The complaint and any information obtained pursuant to the investigation by the Office of Insurance Regulation or the Department of Financial Services are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), unless the department or the Office takes specified action against the individual or entity.

**Section 626.631(2), F.S.** – Except as provided in the subsection, the records or evidence of the Department of Financial Services relative to a hearing on the suspension or revocation of a license or appointment are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until after the material has been published at the hearing.

**Section 626.84195(2), F.S.** – Proprietary business information, as defined in the exemption, provided to the Office of Insurance Regulation by a title insurance agency or insurer is confidential and exempt until such information is otherwise publicly available or is no longer treated by the title insurance agency or insurer as proprietary business information.

**Section 626.842(3), F.S.** – Information contained in credit or character reports furnished to the Department of Financial Services under this section (relating to applications of title insurance agents) is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 626.8433(3), F.S.** – Any information or record furnished to the Department of Financial Services under this section regarding the reasons for termination of the appointment of a title insurance agent is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 626.884(2), F.S.** – Except as provided in the subsection, information contained in the books and records of an insurance administrator is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) if the disclosure would reveal a trade secret as defined in s. 688.002.

**Section 626.921(8), F.S.** – Information furnished to the Department of Financial Services pursuant to pertinent statutes relating to policies and examinations of surplus lines agents is confidential and exempt if disclosure would reveal information specific to a particular policy or policy holder. Information furnished to the Florida Surplus Lines Service Office under the Surplus Lines Law is confidential and exempt if disclosure would reveal information specific to a particular policy or policy holder.

**Section 626.9651, F.S.** – The Department of Financial Services and the Financial Services Commission must adopt rules consistent with other provisions of the Florida Insurance Code to govern the use of a consumer’s nonpublic personal financial and health information.

**Section 626.989(5), F.S.** – Records of the Department of Financial Services and the Office of Insurance Regulation relating to an investigation of insurance fraud under this section are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the subsection, unless disclosure would result in certain enumerated consequences.

**Section 626.9891(11)(a), F.S.** – Information relating to investigation and tracking of insurance fraud submitted by insurers to the Department of Financial Services is exempt from public disclosure.

**Section 627.0628(3)(g), F.S.** – A trade secret as defined in s. 668.002 that is used in

designing and constructing a hurricane or flood loss model and that is provided pursuant to this section, by a private company, to the Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology, Office of Insurance Regulation, or the appointed consumer advocate, is confidential and exempt. That portion of a meeting of the commission or of a rate proceeding on an insurer's rate filing at which a trade secret made confidential by this exemption is discussed is exempt from open meetings requirements. The closed meeting must be recorded; the recording is exempt from disclosure.

**Section 627.06292(1), F.S.** – Reports of hurricane loss data and associated exposure data that are specific to a particular insurance company, as reported by an insurer or a licensed rating organization to the Office of Insurance Regulation or to a state university center are exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 627.311(4)(a), F.S.** – Certain records of the Florida Automobile Joint Underwriting Association, as described in the exemption, are confidential and exempt from disclosure as set forth in the subsection.

**Section 627.311(4)(b), F.S.** – The Florida Automobile Joint Underwriting Association must keep portions of meetings during which confidential and exempt underwriting files or confidential and exempt claims files are discussed exempt from open meetings requirements, subject to the conditions set forth in the exemption. A copy of the transcript, less any confidential and exempt information, of any closed meeting during which confidential and exempt claims files are discussed shall become public as to individual claims files after settlement of that claim.

**Section 627.3121, F.S.** – Certain records held by the Florida Workers' Compensation Joint Underwriting Association, Inc., as described in the exemption, are confidential and exempt and may only be released as prescribed therein. That portion of a meeting of the association's board of governors, or any subcommittee of the association's board, at which records made confidential and exempt by the section are discussed is exempt from open meeting requirements; the transcript and minutes of exempt portions of meetings are confidential and exempt from disclosure. Those portions of the transcript or the minutes pertaining to a confidential and exempt claims file are no longer confidential and exempt upon termination of all litigation with regard to that claim.

**Section 627.351(4)(g), F.S.** – All records, relating to the Medical Malpractice Joint Underwriting Association or its operation are open for public inspection, except that a claim file in the possession of the Association is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) during processing of that claim. Information in these files that identifies an injured person is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 627.351(6)(x)1., F.S.** – Certain records of the Citizens Property Insurance Corporation, as described in the exemption, are confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 627.351(6)(x)4., F.S.** -- Portions of meetings of the Citizens Property Insurance Corporation are exempt from open meetings requirements where confidential underwriting files or confidential open claims files are discussed, subject to the conditions set forth in the exemption. A copy of the transcript, less any exempt matters, of any closed meeting where claims are discussed shall become public as to individual claims after settlement of the claim.

**Section 627.3518(11), F.S.** – Proprietary confidential business information, as defined in the exemption, that is provided to the Citizens Property Insurance Corporation clearinghouse is confidential and exempt.

**Section 627.352, F.S.** – Those portions of a risk assessment, an evaluation, an audit, and any other report of the Citizen Property Insurance Corporation's information technology security program are confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements, if disclosure would facilitate unauthorized access to or unauthorized modification, disclosure, or destruction of data or security information as described in the exemption. Portions of meetings which would reveal such data and information are exempt from s. 286.011, F.S. All exempt portions must be recorded and transcribed and the recordings and transcript must be kept confidential and exempt.

Confidential and exempt records must be made available to agencies specified in the exemption.

**Section 627.6699(8)(c), F.S.** – Information relating to rating and renewal practices of small employer health insurance carriers which is submitted by the carriers to the Office of Insurance Regulation pursuant to this subsection constitutes proprietary and trade secret information and may not be disclosed except as agreed to by the carrier or pursuant to court order.

**Section 627.912(2)(e), F.S.** – The name and address of the injured person that is contained in reports to the Office of Insurance Regulation regarding professional liability claims is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and must not be disclosed without the person's consent, except for disclosure to the Department of Health.

**Section 627.9122(2)(e), F.S.** – The name of the injured person contained in a claim report filed by an insurer providing liability coverage for officers and directors is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), and must not be disclosed by the Office of Insurance Regulation without the consent of the injured person.

**Section 627.9126(3)(a)6., F.S.** – The names of claimants identified in reports filed by liability insurers with the Office of Insurance Regulation are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 628.801(4), F.S.** – Filings and related documents filed by insurance holding companies as provided in this section are confidential and exempt as provided in s. 624.4212 and are not subject to subpoena or discovery directly from the Office of Insurance Regulation.

**Section 631.195, F.S.** – Specified records of an insurer which are made or received by the Department of Financial Services acting as a receiver are confidential and exempt, including personal and financial information of a consumer, consumer claim files, personnel and payroll records, underwriting files, specified risk information and corporate governance records submitted pursuant to cited statutes and confidential information received from other governmental entities. Release is authorized under certain circumstances.

**Section 631.398(1), F.S.** – Reports and recommendations made by specified persons to the Office of Insurance Regulation or to the Department of Financial Services relative to the solvency, liquidation, rehabilitation, or conservation of a member insurer or germane to the solvency of a company seeking to do insurance business in this state, are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the termination of a delinquency proceeding.

**Section 631.582, F.S.** – Certain records of the Florida Insurance Guaranty Association such as specified claims, medical records that are part of a claims file, information relating to the medical condition or medical status of a claimant, and records pertaining to matters reasonably encompassed in privileged attorney-client communications of the association, are confidential and exempt.

**Section 631.62(2), F.S.** – A request from the board of directors of the Florida Insurance Guaranty Association that the Office of Insurance Regulation order an examination of any member insurer is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the examination report is released to the public.

**Section 631.62(3), F.S.** – The reports and recommendations by the board of directors of the Florida Insurance Guaranty Association on any matter germane to the solvency, liquidation, rehabilitation, or conservation of any member insurer are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the termination of a delinquency proceeding.

**Section 631.723(1), F.S.** – The reports and recommendations by the board of directors of the Florida Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association to the Department of Financial Services or to the Office of Insurance Regulation on any matter germane to the solvency, liquidation, rehabilitation, or conservation of any member insurer or a company seeking to do insurance business in Florida are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the termination of a delinquency proceeding.

**Section 631.723(3), F.S.** – A request by the board of directors of the Florida Life and



Health Insurance Guaranty Association that the Office of Insurance Regulation order the examination of any member insurer is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the examination report is released to the public.

**Section 631.724, F.S.** – Negotiations or meetings of the Florida Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association involving discussions of the association’s powers and duties under 631.717 are exempt from s. 286.011. Records of such negotiations or meetings are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the termination of a delinquency proceeding.

**Section 631.931, F.S.** – The reports and recommendations by the board of directors of the Florida Workers’ Compensation Insurance Guaranty Association under s. 631.917 on any matter germane to the solvency, liquidation, rehabilitation, or conservation of any member insurer are confidential and exempt until the termination of a delinquency proceeding.

**Section 631.932, F.S.** – Negotiations between a self-insurance fund and the Florida Workers’ Compensation Insurance Guaranty Association are exempt from s. 286.011. Documents related to such negotiations that reveal identifiable payroll and loss and individual claim information are confidential and exempt.

**Section 633.112(7), F.S.** – Records obtained or prepared by the State Fire Marshal pursuant to his or her investigation of fires and explosions are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active” as that term is defined in the subsection.

**Section 633.126(5), F.S.** – Discussions involving officials of the Department of Financial Services and an insurance company in accordance with this section (relating to investigation of fraudulent insurance claims and crimes) are confidential and exempt from s. 286.011.

**Section 633.324(1), F.S.** – Test material relating to applicants for licensure, certification, or permitting by the State Fire Marshal is made confidential by s. 119.071(1)(a). An applicant may waive confidentiality in writing for purposes of discussion with the State Fire Marshal or his or her staff.

**Section 634.045(5), F.S.** – The filings made by a guarantee organization pursuant to this section relating to guarantee agreements provided by motor vehicle service agreement companies are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 634.201(3), F.S.** – The Department of Financial Service’s records or evidence relative to a hearing for the suspension or revocation of the license or appointment of a salesman of automobile warranties are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until such investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the subsection.

**Section 634.348, F.S.** – Active examination or investigatory records of the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation made or received pursuant to Part II, Ch. 634 (Home Warranty Associations) are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until such investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the section.

**Section 634.4065(5), F.S.** – The filings made by a guarantee organization pursuant to this section relating to guarantee agreements provided by service warranty associations are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 634.444, F.S.** – Active examination or investigatory records of the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation made or received pursuant to Part III, Ch. 634 (Service Warranty Associations) are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until such investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the section.

**Section 636.064(1) and (2), F.S.** – Information pertaining to the diagnosis, treatment, or health of an enrollee of a prepaid limited health service organization is confidential and exempt from disclosure and shall only be available pursuant to specific written consent of the enrollee or as otherwise provided by law. Any proprietary financial information contained in contracts entered into with providers by prepaid limited health service organizations is confidential and exempt from disclosure.



**Section 636.064(3), F.S.** – Information obtained or produced by the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation pursuant to an investigation or examination of a prepaid limited health service organization is confidential and exempt from disclosure until the examination report has been filed pursuant to s. 624.319 or until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the subsection. Except for information specified in the subsection, all information obtained by the office pursuant to an examination or investigation shall be available after the examination report has been filed or the investigation is completed or ceases to be active.

**Section 641.515(2), F.S.** – Patient-identifying information contained in reports and records prepared or obtained under cited statutes (relating to investigation of health maintenance organizations) by the Agency for Health Care Administration or by an outside source, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 641.55(5)(c), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any identifying information contained in the reports of a health maintenance organization filed with the Agency for Health Care Administration under this subsection is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 641.55(6), F.S.** – Incident reports filed with the Agency for Health Care Administration by a health maintenance organization pursuant to this subsection are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 641.55(8), F.S.** – Identifying information in records of a health maintenance organization which are obtained by the Agency for Health Care Administration pursuant to this section (internal risk management program) is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Identifying information contained in records obtained under s. 456.071 is exempt to the extent that it is part of the record of disciplinary proceedings made available to the public by the agency or appropriate board.

**Section 648.26(3), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, the Department of Financial Services’ investigatory records pertaining to bail bond agents are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the subsection. Certain disclosures are authorized as provided in the exemption.

**Section 648.34(3), F.S.** – Information in a character and credit report furnished to the Department of Financial Services as part of an application for licensure as a bail bond agent is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 648.39(1), F.S.** – Information furnished to the Department of Financial Services pursuant to this subsection regarding the termination of appointment of a managing general agent, bail bond agent is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 648.46(3), F.S.** – The complaint and all information obtained pursuant to the investigation of a bail bond licensee by the Department of Financial Services are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as defined in the subsection. Certain disclosures are authorized as provided in the exemption.

**Section 651.105(3), F.S.** – Reports of the results of such financial examinations or providers engaged in the execution of care contracts must be kept on file by the Office of Insurance Regulation. Any investigatory records, reports or documents held by the office are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the subsection.

**Section 651.111(2), F.S.** – Unless the complainant who has filed a complaint against a continuing care provider specifically requests otherwise, neither the substance of the complaint which is provided to the provider nor any copy of the complaint or any record which is published, released, or otherwise made available to the provider shall disclose the name of any person mentioned in the complaint except the names of Office of Insurance Regulation personnel conducting the investigation or inspection pursuant to this chapter.

**Section 651.121(5)(c), F.S.** – Except for proceedings conducted under s. 651.018 (authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to place a facility in administrative supervision), the books and records of the Continuing Care Advisory Council to the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission shall be open to inspection at all times.

**Section 651.134, F.S.** – Any active investigatory record of the Office of Insurance Regulation made or received under Ch. 651 (Continuing Care Contracts) and any active examination record necessary to complete an active investigation is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the section.

**Section 655.0321, F.S.** – The Office of Financial Regulation shall consider the public purposes specified in s. 119.14(4)(b) in determining whether the hearings and proceedings conducted pursuant to s. 655.033 (cease and desist orders) and s. 655.037 (suspension or removal orders) shall be closed and exempt from s. 286.011, and whether related documents shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 655.033(6), F.S.** – An emergency order entered by the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to this subsection (relating to the issuance of cease and desist orders to financial institutions in certain circumstances) is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the order is made permanent, unless the office finds that such confidentiality will result in substantial risk of financial loss to the public.

**Section 655.057(1), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this section and except for such portions thereof which are otherwise public record, all records and information relating to an investigation by the Office of Financial Regulation are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active” as that term is defined in the section. After the investigation is completed or ceases to be active, portions of the records shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) to the extent that disclosure would cause any of the consequences listed in the subsection.

**Section 655.057(2), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this section and except for such portions thereof which are public record, reports of examinations, operations, or condition, prepared by, or for the use of, the Office of Financial Regulation or other agency responsible for regulation of banking institutions in this state are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Examination, operation, or condition reports of a financial institution shall be released within 1 year after the appointment of a liquidator, receiver, or conservator to such financial institution. However, any portion of such reports which discloses the identities of depositors, bondholders, members, borrowers, or stockholders, other than directors, officers, or controlling stockholders of the institution, shall remain confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 655.057(3), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this section and except for those portions that are otherwise public record, after an investigation relating to an informal enforcement action is completed or ceases to be active, informal enforcement actions are confidential and exempt to the extent that disclosure would cause any of the consequences listed in the subsection.

**Section 655.057(4), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this section and except for those portions that are otherwise public record, trade secrets as defined in s. 688.002 which comply with s. 655.0591 and which are held by the Office of Financial Regulation in accordance with its statutory duties with respect to the financial institutions codes are confidential and exempt.

**Section 655.057(5)(a)(b), F.S.** – Specified information received by the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to an application for authority to organize a new state bank or new state trust company is confidential. Personal identifying information, as defined in the exemption, of a proposed officer or director who is associated with another financial institution received by the office pursuant to such application is exempt until the application is approved and the charter is issued.

**Section 655.057(6), F.S.** – Any confidential information or records obtained from the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to this subsection (authorizing specified disclosures of records or information) shall be maintained as confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 655.057(7), F.S.** – Confidential records and information furnished pursuant to a legislative subpoena shall be kept confidential by the legislative body which received the records or information except in a case involving an investigation of charges against a public official subject to impeachment in which case the legislative body shall determine the extent of disclosure.

**Section 655.057(8), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the list of members of a credit union or mutual association which is submitted to the Office of Financial Regulation is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 655.057(9), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any portion of the list of shareholders of a bank, trust company, and stock association which is submitted to the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to this subsection and which reveals the identities of the shareholders is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 655.057(10), F.S.** – Confidential documents supplied to the Office of Financial Regulation or to employees of a financial institution by other governmental agencies shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and may be made public only with the consent of such agency or corporation.

**Section 655.50(7), F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, all reports and records filed with the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to this section (Florida Control of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing in Financial Institutions Act) are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 662.1465, F.S.** – In specified statutory proceedings in which a family trust company is a party, the clerk must, on written notice from a party, keep all court records of that case separate from other court records and confidential. However, disclosure is required to specified individuals.

**Section 662.148(2), F.S.** – Certain information, including personal identifying information, held by the Office of Financial Regulation, which relates to a family trust company, is confidential and exempt.

**Section 663.416(2), F.S.** – Certain information, including personal identifying information of the customers or prospective customers of an affiliated international trust entity, held by the Office of Financial Regulation is confidential and exempt.

**Section 663.540(2), F.S.** – Certain information, including personal identifying information of the customers or prospective customers of an affiliated international trust entity which appears in the records of a qualified limited services affiliate, held by the Office of Financial Regulation is confidential and exempt.

**Section 681.1097(4), F.S.** – A mediation conference conducted pursuant to the RV Mediation and Arbitration Program shall be confidential.

**Section 687.144(6), F.S.** – The material compiled by the Office of Financial Regulation in an investigation or examination under this act (relating to loan brokers) is confidential until the investigation or examination is complete.

**Section 688.006, F.S.** – In an action under the Uniform Trade Secrets Act, a court shall preserve the secrecy of an alleged trade secret by reasonable means as described in the section.

**Section 717.117(11), F.S.** – Social security numbers and property identifiers contained in reports to the Department of Financial Services concerning unclaimed property are confidential and exempt.

**Section 717.1301(5), F.S.** – Material compiled by the Department of Financial Services in an investigation under the Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act is confidential until the investigation is complete; provided that such material remains confidential if it is submitted to

another agency for investigation or prosecution and such investigation has not been completed or become inactive.

**Section 721.071, F.S.** – If a developer or other person filing material with the Division of Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation pursuant to chapter 721 relating to time-share plans expects the division to keep the material confidential on grounds that the material constitutes a trade secret as defined in s. 812.081, that person shall file the material together with an affidavit of confidentiality as provided in the section. If the division is satisfied as to the facial validity of the claim of confidentiality, it shall keep the affidavit and supporting documentation confidential and shall not disclose such information except upon administrative or court order.

**Section 723.006(3), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in the subsection, mobile home park financial records, as defined in the subsection, which are acquired by the Division of Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation pursuant to an investigation under this section are confidential and exempt.

**Section 733.604(1)(b), F.S.** – Any inventory of an estate filed with the clerk of court in conjunction with the administration of an estate or of an elective estate filed with the clerk of the court in conjunction with an election made in accordance with Part II, Ch. 732, whether initial, amended, or supplementary, is confidential and exempt. Any accounting, whether interim, final, amended, or supplementary, filed with the clerk of court in an estate proceeding is confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized under specified circumstances.

**Section 741.29(3), F.S.** – A law enforcement agency shall, without charge, send a copy of the initial police report of domestic violence, as well as any subsequent, supplemental, or related report, which excludes victim/witness statements or other materials that are part of an active criminal investigation and are exempt from disclosure under Ch. 119 to the nearest locally certified domestic violence center within 24 hours after the agency's receipt of the report.

**Section 741.30(3)(b), F.S.** – A petitioner seeking an injunction for protection against domestic violence may furnish his or her address to the court in a separate confidential filing for safety reasons if the petitioner requires the location of his or her current residence to be confidential.

**Section 741.313(7), F.S.** – Personal identifying information contained in records documenting an act of domestic or sexual violence that is submitted to an agency by an agency employee seeking to take leave as provided therein is confidential and exempt. A written request for leave submitted by an agency employee and any agency time sheet reflecting such request are confidential and exempt until 1 year after the leave has been taken.

**Section 741.3165, F.S.** – Information that is confidential or exempt and that is obtained by a domestic violence fatality review team conducting activities as described in s. 741.316 shall retain its confidential or exempt status when held by the team. Information contained in a record created by a team pursuant to s. 741.316 that reveals the identity of a victim of domestic violence or the identity of the victim's children is confidential and exempt. Portions of meetings of the team regarding domestic violence fatalities and their prevention, during which confidential or exempt information, the identity of the victim, or the identity of the victim's children are discussed, are exempt from s. 286.011, F.S.

**Section 741.406, F.S.** – The name, address, and telephone number of a participant in the Address Confidentiality Program for Victims of Domestic Violence may not be included in any list of registered voters available to the public.

**Section 741.465, F.S.** – The addresses, corresponding telephone numbers, and social security numbers of program participants in the Address Confidentiality Program for Victims of Domestic Violence held by the Office of the Attorney General are exempt from disclosure, except that the information may be disclosed under the following circumstances: to a law enforcement agency for purposes of assisting in the execution of a valid arrest warrant; if directed by court order, to a person identified in the order; or if the certification has been canceled. The names,

addresses, and telephone numbers of participants contained in voter registration and voting records are exempt, except the information may be disclosed under the following circumstances: to a law enforcement agency for purposes of assisting in the execution of an arrest warrant or, if directed by court order, to a person identified in the order.

**Section 741.4651, F.S.** – The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of victims of stalking or aggravated stalking are exempt in the same manner as participants in the Address Confidentiality Program for Victims of Domestic Violence under s. 741.465 are exempt from disclosure, provided the victim files a sworn statement of stalking with the Office of the Attorney General and otherwise complies with ss. 741.401-741.409.

**Section 742.091, F.S.** – Records of any proceeding under the determination of paternity statute which was subsequently dismissed when the mother of the illegitimate child and reputed father marry thereby making the child legitimate are sealed against public inspection.

**Section 742.16(9), F.S.** – All papers and records pertaining to the affirmation of parental status for gestational surrogacy, including the original birth certificate, are confidential and exempt and subject to inspection only upon court order.

**Section 744.1076, F.S.** – A court order appointing a court monitor is exempt from public disclosure requirements. Reports of a court monitor relating to the medical condition, financial affairs, or mental health of the ward are confidential and exempt. The reports may be subject to inspection as determined by the court or upon a showing of good cause. Court determinations relating to a finding of no probable cause and court orders finding no probable cause are confidential; however, such determinations and findings may be subject to inspection as determined by the court or upon a showing of good cause.

**Section 744.2103(2), F.S.** – No report or disclosure of the personal or medical records of a ward of a public guardian shall be made, except as authorized by law.

**Section 744.21031, F.S.** – Home addresses, telephone numbers, and other specified personal information of current or former public guardians and employees with fiduciary responsibility, as defined in the exemption, as well as the names and specified information about the spouses and children of these individuals are exempt from disclosure. An agency that is the custodian of the information shall maintain the exempt status only if the specified individuals submit a written request for exempt status to the custodial agency.

**Section 744.2104(2) F.S.** – All records held by the Office of Public and Professional Guardians relating to the medical, financial, or mental health of vulnerable adults, persons with a developmental disability, or persons with a mental illness, are confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements.

**Section 744.2105(6), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of a donor or prospective donor of funds or property to the direct-support organization of the Office of Public and Professional Guardians who wishes to remain anonymous is confidential and exempt.

**Section 744.2111(1)(2)(3), F.S.** – A complaint and any information held by the Department of Elderly Affairs as part of the investigative process are confidential and exempt until the investigation is completed or ceases to be “active,” as that term is defined in the exemption. However, once the investigation is completed or ceases to be active, specified personal information relating to complainants or wards remains confidential. The exemption does not prohibit the department from providing such information to any law enforcement agency, any other regulatory agency in the performance of its official duties and responsibilities, or the clerk of court under s. 744.368, or pursuant to court order.

**Section 744.3701, F.S.** – Unless otherwise ordered by the court, upon a showing of good cause, an initial, annual, or final guardianship report or amendment thereto, or any record relating to the settlement of a claim is subject to inspection only by the individuals specified in the section. Court records relating to the settlement of a ward’s or minor’s claim are confidential and exempt and may not be disclosed except as specifically authorized.

**Section 760.11(12), F.S.** – Complaints filed with the Commission on Human Relations and all records in the commission’s custody which relate to and identify a particular person, including, but not limited to, the entities specified in the subsection are confidential and may not be disclosed except to the parties or in the course of a hearing or proceeding under this section. This restriction does not apply to any record which is part of the record of a hearing or court proceeding.

**Section 760.34(1), F.S.** – Nothing said or done in the course of informal endeavors by the Commission on Human Relations to resolve complaints about discriminatory housing practices may be made public or used as evidence in a subsequent proceeding under ss. 760.20-760.37 without the written consent of the persons concerned.

**Section 760.36, F.S.** – A conciliation agreement arising out of a complaint filed under the Fair Housing Act shall be made public unless the complainant and the respondent otherwise agree and the Commission on Human Relations determines that disclosure is not required to further the purposes of the Act.

**Section 760.40(2), F.S.** – Except as provided in the subsection, DNA analysis results information held by a public entity is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 760.50(5), F.S.** – Employers shall maintain the confidentiality of information relating to the medical condition or status of any person covered by health or life insurance benefits provided or administered by the employer. Such information in the possession of a public employer is exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 765.51551, F.S.** – Donor-identifying information maintained in the anatomical gifts donor registry is confidential and exempt as provided in the exemption.

**Section 766.101(7)(c), F.S.** – Proceedings of medical review committees are exempt from s. 286.011 and any advisory reports provided to the Department of Health are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), regardless of whether probable cause is found.

**Section 766.106(6)(b)3., F.S.** – An examination report on an injured claimant which is made pursuant to this section relating to medical malpractice claims is available only to the parties and their attorneys and may be used only for the purpose of presuit screening. Otherwise, such report is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 766.1115(4)(c), F.S.** – All patient medical records and any identifying information contained in adverse incident reports and treatment outcomes which are obtained by governmental entities contracting with health care providers under this paragraph, are confidential and exempt.

**Section 766.305(3), F.S.** – Information furnished by a person seeking compensation under the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Plan pursuant to this subsection shall remain confidential and exempt under the provisions of s. 766.315(5)(b).

**Section 766.314(8), F.S.** – Information obtained by the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Association to determine the actual cost of maintaining the fund on an actuarially sound basis shall be utilized solely for the purpose of assisting the association. Such information shall otherwise be confidential and exempt.

**Section 766.315(5)(b), F.S.** – A claim file in the possession of the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Association or its representative is confidential and exempt until termination of litigation or settlement of the claim, although medical records and other portions of the claim file may remain confidential and exempt as otherwise provided by law.

**Section 768.28(16)(b), F.S.** – Claims files maintained by any risk management program administered by the state, its agencies and subdivisions are confidential and exempt until termination of all litigation and settlement of all claims arising out of the same incident, although portions of the claims files may remain exempt, as otherwise provided by law. Claims files records may be released to other governmental agencies as provided in the paragraph; such records held by the receiving agency remain confidential as provided in the paragraph.



**Section 768.28(16)(c), F.S.** – Portions of meetings and proceedings conducted pursuant to a risk management program administered by the state, its agencies or subdivisions relating solely to the evaluation of claims or relating solely to offers of compromise of claims filed with the program are exempt from s. 286.011.

**Section 768.28(16)(d), F.S.** – Minutes of the meetings and proceedings of a risk management program administered by the state, its agencies or its subdivisions relating solely to the evaluation of claims or relating solely to offers of compromise of claims filed with such risk management programs are exempt from s. 119.07(1) until termination of all litigation and settlement of all claims arising out of the same incident.

**Section 784.046(4)(b), F.S.** – A petitioner seeking an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence or dating violence and related court actions may furnish an address to the court in a separate confidential filing for safety reasons if the petitioner requires the location of his or her current residence to be confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(2)(j).

**Section 784.0485(3)(b), F.S.** – A petitioner seeking an injunction for protection against stalking may furnish his or her address to the court in a separate confidential filing if, for safety reasons, the petitioner requires the location of the current residence to be confidential.

**Section 787.03(6)(c)1., F.S.** – The current address and telephone number of the person taking a child or incompetent person when fleeing from domestic violence or to preserve the minor or incompetent person from danger and the current address and telephone number of the minor or incompetent person which are contained in the report made to a sheriff or state attorney under s. 787.03(6)(b) by the person who takes such child or incompetent person, are confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements.

**Section 787.06(10), F.S.** – Information about the location of a residential facility offering services for adult victims of human trafficking involving commercial sexual activity, which is held by an agency is confidential and exempt; however, the information may be disclosed as provided in the exemption.

**Section 790.0601, F.S.** – Personal identifying information of an individual who has applied for or received a license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm held by the Division of Licensing of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services or by a tax collector appointed by the Department to receive applications and fees is confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements. Information made confidential and exempt shall be disclosed with express written consent of the applicant or licensee, by court order, or upon request by a law enforcement agency in connection with the performance of lawful duties.

**Section 790.0625(4), F.S.** – All personal identifying information that is provided pursuant to s. 790.06 and contained in the records of a tax collector appointed under this section is confidential and exempt except as provided in s. 790.0601.

**Section 790.065(2)(a)4.d., F.S.** – The hearing on the petition filed by a person who has been adjudicated mentally defective or committed to a mental institution for relief from the firearm disabilities imposed by such adjudication or commitment may be open or closed as the petitioner may choose.

**Section 790.065(4)(a), F.S.** – Any records containing information specified in this section relating to a buyer or transferee of a firearm who is not prohibited under state or federal law from receipt or transfer of a firearm shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and may not be disclosed by the Department of Law Enforcement to any other person or agency.

**Section 790.335(2), F.S.** – Subject to specified exceptions, a governmental agency or any other person, public or private, may not knowingly and willfully keep or cause to be kept any list, record or registry of privately owned firearms or any list, record, or registry of the owners of those firearms.

**Section 794.024, F.S.** – A public employee or officer having access to the photograph, name or address of a person alleged to be a victim of an offense described in this chapter (sexual



battery), chapter 800 (lewdness, indecent exposure), s. 827.03 (aggravated child abuse), s. 827.04 (child abuse), or s. 827.071 (sexual performance by a child) may not willfully and knowingly disclose it to a person not assisting in the investigation or prosecution of the alleged offense or to any person other than the defendant, the defendant's attorney, a person specified in a court order entered by the court having jurisdiction over the alleged offense, to organizations authorized to receive such information made exempt by s. 119.071(2)(h), or to a rape crisis center or sexual assault counselor who will be offering services to the victim.

**Section 794.03, F.S.** – It is unlawful to print, publish, or broadcast or cause or allow to be printed, published or broadcast in any instrument of mass communication the name, address or other identifying fact or information of the victim of any sexual offense. Such identifying information is confidential and exempt.

**Section 815.045, F.S.** – It is a public necessity that trade secret information as defined in s. 812.081, be expressly made confidential and exempt from the public records law because it is a felony to disclose such records.

**Section 823.15(7), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of a person who fosters, adopts, or otherwise receives legal custody of an animal from an animal shelter or animal control agency operated by a humane society or local government is exempt.

**Section 828.30(5), F.S.** – An animal owner's name, street address, phone number, and animal tag number contained in a rabies vaccination certificate provided to the animal control authority is confidential and exempt from disclosure except as provided in the exemption.

**Section 877.19(3), F.S.** – Certain information on hate crimes which is reported to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement pursuant to this statute is confidential and exempt. Data required pursuant to this section shall be used only for research or statistical purposes and shall not include any information that may reveal the identity of a crime victim.

**Section 893.0551(2), F.S.** – Certain identification and location information of a patient or patient's agent, a health care practitioner, a dispenser, an employee of the practitioner who is acting on behalf of and at the direction of the practitioner; a pharmacist, or a pharmacy, that is contained in Department of Health records under the electronic prescription drug monitoring program for monitoring the prescribing and dispensing of controlled substances is confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 895.06(2), F.S.** – A subpoena issued pursuant to this chapter is confidential for 120 days after the date of its issuance. The subpoenaed person or entity may not disclose the existence of the subpoena to any person or entity other than his or her attorney during the 120-day period.

**Section 895.06(7), F.S.** – Information held by an investigative agency pursuant to an investigation of a violation of s. 895.03 is confidential and exempt; however, the information may be disclosed as provided in the subsection. Information made confidential and exempt under this exemption is no longer confidential and exempt once all investigations to which the information pertains are completed, as defined in the exemption, unless the information is otherwise protected by law.

**Section 896.102(2), F.S.** – Information and documents filed with the Department of Revenue regarding certain currency transactions are confidential and exempt; however, the information may be released as provided in the subsection.

**Section 905.17(1), F.S.** – Stenographic records, notes and transcriptions made by a court reporter during a grand jury session are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall be filed with the clerk who shall keep them in a sealed container not subject to public inspection.

**Section 905.24, F.S.** – Grand jury proceedings are secret and a grand juror or interpreter appointed pursuant to s. 90.6063(2) shall not disclose the nature or substance of the deliberations or vote of the grand jury.

**Section 905.26, F.S.** – Unless ordered by the court, a grand juror, reporter, stenographer,

interpreter, or officer of the court may not disclose the finding of an indictment against a person not in custody or under recognizance, except by issuing or executing process on the indictment, until the person has been arrested.

**Section 905.27, F.S.** – Persons present or appearing during a grand jury proceeding, including a grand juror, a state attorney, an assistant state attorney, a reporter, a stenographer, or an interpreter, as well as the custodian of a grand jury record, may not disclose the testimony of a witness examined before the grand jury or other evidence received by it except when required by a court to disclose the testimony for one of the purposes set forth in the exemption.

**Section 905.28(1), F.S.** – A report or presentment of a grand jury relating to an individual which is not accompanied by a true bill or indictment is confidential and exempt and shall not be made public until the individual concerned has been furnished a copy and given 15 days to file a motion to repress or expunge the report.

**Section 905.395, F.S.** – Unless pursuant to court order, it is unlawful for any person knowingly to publish, broadcast, disclose, divulge, or communicate or cause or permit such publication or communication to any person outside the statewide grand jury room, any of the proceedings or identity of persons referred to or being investigated by the statewide grand jury.

**Section 914.27, F.S.** – Information held by a law enforcement agency, prosecutorial agency, or the Victim and Witness Protection Review Committee which discloses the identity or location of a victim or witness who has been identified or certified for protective or relocation services is confidential and exempt from disclosure. Identity and location of immediate family members of such victims or witnesses are also protected as are relocation sites, techniques or procedures utilized or developed as a result of the victim and witness protective services.

**Section 916.1065(1), F.S.** – A forensic behavioral health evaluation filed with the court pursuant to Ch. 916, is confidential and exempt.

**Section 916.107(8), F.S.** – Except as provided in the subsection, a forensic client’s clinical record is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 918.16(1), F.S.** – Except as provided in s. 918.16(2), in any civil or criminal trial, if any person under 16 or any person with an intellectual disability as defined in cited statute is testifying concerning any sex offense, the court shall clear the courtroom of all persons except parties to the cause and their immediate families or guardians, attorneys and their secretaries, officers of the court, jurors, newspaper reporters or broadcasters and court reporters, and at the request of the victim, victim or witness advocates designated by the state attorney’s office.

**Section 918.16(2), F.S.** – If the victim of a sex offense is testifying concerning that offense in any civil or criminal trial, the court shall clear the courtroom of all persons upon the request of the victim, regardless of the victim’s age or mental capacity, except that parties to the cause and their immediate families or guardians, attorneys and their secretaries, officers of the court, jurors, newspaper reporters or broadcasters and court reporters, and at the request of the victim, victim or witness advocates designated by the state attorney may remain in the courtroom.

**Section 925.055(2), F.S.** – The names of confidential informants that may be revealed to auditors of law enforcement investigative funds are confidential and exempt.

**Section 932.703(2)(e), F.S.** –The court may seal any portion of the application and the record of any proceeding under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act which is exempt or confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements or may otherwise be sealed pursuant to Rule 2.420, Florida Rules of Judicial Administration.

**Section 934.08(1)(b), F.S.** – A state or federal law enforcement official who receives intelligence information as described in the paragraph is subject to any limitations on the unauthorized disclosure of such information.

**Section 934.09(8)(c), F.S.** – Applications made and orders granted authorizing interception of wire, oral or electronic communications pursuant to cited statutes shall be sealed by the judge and shall be disclosed only upon a showing of good cause before a judge.

**Section 934.33(7), F.S.** – The record maintained by an investigative or law enforcement agency which contains specified identifying information regarding the installation and use of a pen register or trap and trace device must be provided under seal to the court.

**Section 937.028(1), F.S.** – When fingerprints are taken for the purpose of identifying a child, should that child become missing, the state agency, public or private organization, or other person taking such fingerprints shall not release the fingerprints to any law enforcement agency or other person for any purpose other than the identification of a missing child. Such records and data are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 943.03(2), F.S.** – Records related to a Florida Department of Law Enforcement investigation requested by the Governor concerning official misconduct of public officials and employees, are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the investigation is completed or is no longer “active” as defined in the subsection.

**Section 943.031(9)(c) and (d), F.S.** – The Florida Violent Crime and Drug Control Council may close portions of meetings during which the council will hear or discuss active criminal investigative information or active criminal intelligence information and such portions of meetings are exempt from open meetings requirements, provided that the conditions set forth in the subsection are met. A tape recording of, and any minutes and notes generated during, the closed portion of a meeting are confidential and exempt until the criminal investigative or intelligence information ceases to be active.

**Section 943.0314, F.S.** – That portion of a meeting of the Domestic Security Oversight Council at which the council will hear or discuss active criminal investigative information or active criminal intelligence information is exempt from open meetings requirements provided that the conditions set forth in the exemption are complied with. An audio or video recording of, and any minutes and notes generated during, a closed meeting are exempt from public disclosure requirements until such time as the criminal investigative information or criminal intelligence information heard or discussed therein ceases to be active.

**Section 943.0321(4), F.S.** – Information that is exempt from public disclosure under Ch. 119 when in the possession of the Florida Domestic Security and Counter-Terrorism Intelligence Center retains its exemption from public disclosure after such information is revealed to a law enforcement agency or prosecutor, except as otherwise provided by law. Exempt information obtained by the center from a law enforcement agency or prosecutor retains its exemption from public disclosure, except as otherwise provided by law.

**Section 943.053(3), F.S.** – Criminal history information relating to a juvenile and compiled by the Criminal Justice Information Program from intrastate sources is confidential and exempt except as provided in the exemption.

**Section 943.053(5), (8), (9), and (10), F.S.** – Sealed records received by a court for the purpose of assisting judges in their case-related responsibilities, or by a private entity under contract to operate a juvenile offender facility, county detention facility or state correctional facility pursuant to cited laws remain confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 943.057, F.S.** – This section (providing for access to criminal justice information in the Department of Law Enforcement for research or statistical purposes) does not require release of confidential information or require the department to accommodate requests that would disrupt ongoing operations beyond the extent required by s. 119.07.

**Section 943.0582(5), F.S.** – Nonjudicial records held by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement pertaining to the arrest of juveniles for certain crimes who have had the records sealed or expunged pursuant to s. 943.0582, are confidential. Disclosure is authorized as provided in the exemption.

**Section 943.0583(10)(a), F.S.** – A criminal history record of a human trafficking victim that is ordered expunged under this section that is retained by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement is confidential and exempt except that the record shall be made available to criminal justice agencies for their respective criminal justice purposes; to any governmental agency that is

authorized by law to determine eligibility to purchase or possess a firearm or to carry a concealed firearm for use in the course of such agency's official duties; or by court order.

**Section 943.0583(11)(12), F.S.** – Criminal intelligence information or criminal investigative information that reveals or may reveal the identity of a person who is a victim of human trafficking whose criminal history record has been ordered expunged or has been expunged under s. 943.0583 is confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized under specified circumstances. A petition filed under this section and all documents related to the petition are confidential and exempt.

**Section 943.0585(6), F.S.** – A criminal history record ordered expunged that is retained by the Department of Law Enforcement pursuant to this section is confidential and exempt and is not available to any person or entity except upon court order.

**Section 943.0585(6)(d), F.S.** – Information relating to the existence of an expunged criminal history record which is provided in accordance with paragraph (a), is confidential and exempt, except that the Florida Department of Law Enforcement shall disclose the existence of an expunged record to the agencies set forth in the paragraph for their respective licensing and employment purposes and to criminal justice agencies for their respective criminal justice purposes. It is unlawful for any employee of an entity identified in the paragraph to disclose such information except to the person to whom the record relates or to persons having direct responsibility for employment or licensure decisions.

**Section 943.059(6)(a), F.S.** – A criminal history record of a minor or an adult which is ordered sealed by a court pursuant to this section is confidential and exempt and available only to the persons and entities identified in the subsection.

**Section 943.059(6)(d), F.S.** – Information relating to the existence of such record that is provided in accordance with paragraph (a) is confidential and exempt, except that the Florida Department of Law Enforcement shall disclose a sealed record to the agencies set forth in the paragraph for their respective licensing and employment purposes. It is unlawful for any employee of an entity identified in the paragraph to disclose such information except to the person to whom the record relates or to persons having direct responsibility for employment or licensure decisions. See also s. 943.0595(3)(b).

**Section 943.082(6), F.S.** – The identity of the reporting party received through the mobile suspicious activity reporting tool and held by the Department of Law Enforcement, Department of Education, law enforcement agencies, or school officials is confidential and exempt. Any other information received through the tool and held by such agencies is exempt.

**Section 943.1395(6)(b), F.S.** – The report of misconduct and all records or information provided to or developed by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission during the course of an investigation conducted by the commission are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and, except as otherwise provided by law, such information shall be subject to public disclosure only after a determination as to probable cause has been made or until the investigation becomes inactive. However, the officer being investigated or the officer's attorney may review records as authorized in the exemption.

**Section 943.173(3), F.S.** – Examinations, assessments, and instruments and examination results, other than test scores on officer certification examinations, including developmental materials and workpapers, administered pursuant to s. 943.13(9) or (10) and s. 943.17 are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 943.325(14), F.S.** – The results of a DNA analysis and the comparison of analytic results shall be released only to criminal justice agencies as defined in s. 943.045, F.S., at the request of the agency. Otherwise, such information is confidential and exempt.

**Section 943.68(10)(a), F.S.** – Records held by a law enforcement agency relating to security or transportation services provided under ss. 943.68(1),(5), or (6) to the Governor and other specified persons are exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 943.687(8), F.S.** – Any portion of a meeting of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Commission at which exempt or confidential information is discussed is exempt from open meetings requirements.

**Section 944.606(3)(d), F.S.** – Sexual offender information received from the Department of Corrections by the Department of Law Enforcement, the sheriff, or the chief of police shall be provided to a person who requests it and such information may be released to the public in any manner deemed appropriate, unless the information so received is confidential or exempt from disclosure.

**Section 945.10, F.S.** – Records of the Department of Corrections relating to inmates and other specified persons and entities, as set forth in the exemption, are confidential and exempt and may not be released except as provided in the exemption.

**Section 945.602(7)(b), F.S.** – Neither the provisions of this section nor those of Ch. 119 or s. 154.207(7) shall apply to any health care provider under contract with the Department of Corrections except to the extent such provisions would apply to any similar entity not under contract with the department.

**Section 945.6032(3), F.S.** – The findings and recommendations of a medical review committee created by the Correctional Medical Authority or the Department of Corrections pursuant to s. 766.101 are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and any proceedings of the committee are exempt from s. 286.011.

**Section 946.517, F.S.** – Proprietary confidential business information, as defined in the statute, of the corporation created to operate correctional work programs is confidential and exempt.

**Section 951.27(2), F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, serologic blood test results for infectious disease which are obtained pursuant to s. 951.27(1) on inmates in county and municipal detention facilities are confidential and exempt.

**Section 960.001(1)(g)2., F.S.** – Any person who views a presentence investigation report pursuant to this paragraph must maintain the confidentiality of the report and may not disclose its contents to any person except statements made to the state attorney or the court.

**Section 960.001(8), F.S.** – Information gained by a crime victim pursuant to this chapter (providing guidelines for fair treatment of victims in the criminal and juvenile justice systems), regarding any case handled in juvenile court, must not be revealed to any outside party, except as is reasonably necessary in pursuit of legal remedies.

**Section 960.003(3), F.S.** – Results of human immunodeficiency virus and hepatitis tests performed pursuant to this section on persons charged with or alleged by delinquency petition with certain offenses are confidential and exempt and may not be disclosed to any person other than the individuals and entities identified in the subsection.

**Section 960.15, F.S.** – Any record or report obtained by the Department of Legal Affairs or a hearing officer, pursuant to a claim for crime victim compensation, that is confidential or exempt from s. 119.07(1) shall retain that status and shall not be subject to public disclosure.

**Section 960.28(4), F.S.** – Information received or maintained by the Department of Legal Affairs identifying an alleged victim who seeks payment of medical expenses under this section is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 984.06(3) and (4), F.S.** – All information obtained pursuant to Ch. 984 (families in need of services and children in need of services) in the discharge of official duty by the officials specified in the subsection shall not be disclosed to anyone other than persons and agencies entitled under the chapter to receive this information or upon court order. Court records required by Ch. 984 are not open to public inspection.

**Section 985.036, F.S.** – Nothing in this chapter prohibits the victim of the offense or a minor victim's parent or guardian from the right to be informed of, and to be present during,

all crucial stages of the proceedings involving the juvenile offender. However, such person may not reveal to any outside party any confidential information obtained under this subsection regarding the case, except as is reasonably necessary to pursue legal remedies. A law enforcement agency may release a copy of the juvenile offense report to the victim of the offense; however, information gained by the victim under this chapter, including the next of kin of a homicide victim, regarding any case handled in juvenile court must not be revealed to any outside party, except as is reasonably necessary in pursuit of legal remedies.

**Section 985.04(1) F.S.** – Except as otherwise provided in this section, all information obtained under this chapter (relating to juvenile justice) in the discharge of official duty by any of the entities set forth in the subsection is confidential and exempt and may be disclosed only to the entities specified in the subsection or upon court order. Agencies entering into an agreement to share information about juvenile offenders as authorized by this subsection must comply with s. 943.0525 and must maintain the confidentiality of information otherwise exempt from s. 119.07(1), as provided by law.

**Section 985.04(6), F.S.** – Records maintained by the Department of Juvenile Justice pertaining to a child found to have committed a delinquent act which, if committed by an adult, would be a crime specified in cited statute may not be destroyed for a period of 25 years after the youth's final referral to the department, except in cases of the child's death. However, such record shall be sealed by the court and may be released only to meet screening requirements for personnel in s. 402.3055 and the other mentioned statutes or department rules although sexual offender and predator registration information is a public record.

**Section 985.04(7)(a), F.S.** – Records in the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice regarding children are not open to public inspection and may be inspected only upon order of the Secretary of the department or the secretary's authorized agent as provided therein.

**Section 985.045(2), F.S.** – The clerk of court shall keep all official records required by this section (delinquency) separate from other records of the circuit court, except those records pertaining to motor vehicle violations, which shall be forwarded to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. Except as provided in ss. 943.053 and 985.04(6)(b) and (7), official records required by this chapter are not open to inspection by the public, but may be inspected only by persons and entities specified in the subsection or deemed by the court to have a proper interest therein. The court may permit authorized representatives of recognized organizations compiling statistics for proper purposes to inspect, and make abstracts from, official records under whatever conditions upon the use and disposition of such records the court may deem proper and may punish by contempt proceedings any violation of those conditions.

**Section 985.047(2)(a), F.S.** – Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, confidentiality of records information does not apply to juveniles who have been arrested for an offense that would be a crime if committed by an adult, regarding the sharing of information on such juveniles with the law enforcement agency or county as well as other specified agencies and individuals. Neither these records provided to the law enforcement agency or county nor the records developed from these records for serious habitual juvenile offenders nor the records provided or developed from records provided to the law enforcement agency or county on juveniles at risk of becoming serious habitual juveniles offenders shall be available for public disclosure under s. 119.07.

**Section 985.11, F.S.** – Except as provided in cited statutes, fingerprints and photographs of juveniles are not available for public disclosure and inspection under s. 119.07(1), except as provided in ss. 943.053 and 985.04(2), but are available to specified entities or to any other person authorized by the court to have access to such records. The records may, in the discretion of the court, be open to inspection by anyone upon a showing of cause.

**Section 985.534(4) and (5), F.S.** – The original order of the appellate court in a case affecting a party to a case involving a child under this chapter (juvenile justice) and all papers filed in the case on appeal shall remain in the office of the clerk of the court, sealed and not open to inspection except by order of the appellate court. The case on appeal shall be docketed, and any



papers filed in the appellate court shall be entitled with the initials but not the name of the child.

**Section 1001.24(4), F.S.** – The identity of donors to a Department of Education direct-support organization, and all information identifying donors and prospective donors, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and that anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor’s report. All records of the organization other than the auditor’s report, management letter, and any supplemental data requested by the Auditor General and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall be confidential and exempt.

**Section 1001.453(4), F.S.** – The identity of donors and all information identifying donors and prospective donors are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and that anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor’s report of a district school board direct-support organization.

**Section 1002.221, F.S.** – Education records, as defined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. s. 1232g, and the federal regulations, are confidential and exempt. An agency or institution, as defined in s. 1002.22, may not release a student’s education records without the written consent of the student or parent except as provided in the exemption and as permitted by FERPA.

**Section 1002.225, F.S.** – All public postsecondary educational institutions shall comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. s. 1232g, with respect to the education records of students.

**Section 1002.36(7)(d), F.S.** – The criminal records, private investigator findings, and information from reference checks obtained by the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind for determining the moral character of employees of the school are confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 1002.395(6)(y), F.S.** – Information and documentation provided to the Department of Education and the Auditor General relating to the identity of a taxpayer that provides an eligible contribution under this section (Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program) shall remain confidential at all times in accordance with s. 213.053.

**Section 1002.42(18)(c), F.S.** – Any information that may identify whether a particular individual has been assigned as a safe-school officer pursuant to s. 1006.12 at a private school and that is held by a law enforcement agency is exempt from disclosure requirements.

**Section 1002.72, F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, the records of children enrolled in the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program are confidential.

**Section 1002.97, F.S.** – Except as provided in the exemption, individual records of children enrolled in school readiness programs, held by a VPEP provider, an early learning coalition or the Department of Education are confidential and exempt.

**Section 1003.25(1), F.S.** – The cumulative record of a public school pupil that is required by this section is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and is open to inspection only as provided in Ch. 1002.

**Section 1003.53(6), F.S.** – School districts and other agencies receiving information contained in student records and juvenile justice records shall use such information only for official purposes connected with the certification of students for admission to and for the administration of the dropout prevention and academic intervention program, and such agencies shall maintain the confidentiality of such information unless otherwise provided by law or rule. Such information is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 1003.57(1)(c), F.S.** – Hearings on exceptional student identification, evaluation, and eligibility determination, or lack thereof, are exempt from s. 286.011, except to the extent that the State Board of Education adopts rules establishing other procedures, and any records created as a result of such hearings are confidential and exempt.

**Section 1004.055, F.S.** – Certain records held by a state university or Florida College System institution which identify detection, investigation, or response practices for suspected or



confirmed security incidents are confidential and exempt. Those portions of a public meeting which would reveal such data and information are exempt from s. 286.011, F.S.

**Section 1004.0962 (2) and (4), F.S.** – A campus emergency response, as defined in the exemption, held by a public postsecondary institution or specified agencies is exempt from disclosure requirements. That portion of a public meeting which would reveal a campus emergency response is exempt from s. 286.011, F.S.

**Section 1004.098(1), F.S.** – Personal identifying information of an applicant for president of a state university or a Florida College System institution held by a state university or college is confidential and exempt, except that the age, race, and gender of all applicants who met the minimum qualifications established for the position who were considered and the personal identifying information of an applicant included in the final group of applicants, are no longer confidential and exempt beginning at the earlier of the date the final group of applicants to be considered is established or 21 days before the date of a meeting at which an interview of an applicant will be conducted or at which final action or a vote is to be taken on the offer of employment of an applicant as president.

**Section 1004.098(2), F.S.** – Any portion of a meeting held for the purpose of identifying or vetting applicants for president of a state university or Florida College System institution, including any portion of a meeting which would disclose personal identifying information of such applicants which is otherwise confidential and exempt under s. 1004.098(1) is exempt from open meetings requirements. A complete recording must be made of any portion of a meeting which is closed and the closed portion may not be held off the record. The recording of the closed portion is exempt. The exemption does not apply to portions of meetings held to establish qualifications for the position or for establishing any compensation framework to be offered to an applicant, or to any meeting held after a final group of applicants has been established.

**Section 1004.22(2), F.S.** – Materials relating to methods of manufacture or production, potential or actual trade secrets, potentially patentable material, business transactions, or proprietary information received, generated, ascertained or discovered during the course of research conducted within state universities are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except that a division of sponsored research shall make available, upon request, title and description of a research project, name of the researcher, and amount and source of funding for the project.

**Section 1004.24(4), F.S.** – The claims files of a self-insurance program adopted by the Board of Governors, or the board's designee, pursuant to this section are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1), and are only for the use of the program in fulfilling its duties.

**Section 1004.28(5), F.S.** – Other than the auditor's report, management letter, any records related to the expenditure of state funds, and any financial records related to the expenditure of private funds for travel, all records of a university direct-support organization and any supplemental data requested by the Board of Governors, the university board of trustees, the Auditor General, and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). The identity of donors who desire to remain anonymous shall be protected, and that anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor's report. Any portion of a meeting of the board of directors of the organization, or of the executive committee or other committees of such board, at which any proposal seeking research funding from the organization or a plan or program for either initiating or supporting research is discussed is exempt from s. 286.011, F.S.

**Section 1004.30, F.S.** – Certain records of university health services support organizations are made confidential; however, some records become public records at a specified time in the future. Any portion of a governing board or peer review panel or committee meeting during which a confidential and exempt contract, document, record, marketing plan, or trade secret is discussed is exempt from s. 286.011, as well as any records generated during the closed portion of a governing board or peer review panel or committee meeting which contain information relating to contracts, documents, records, marketing plans, or trade secrets which are made confidential and exempt by this section. A person may petition a court for release of certain documents upon

a finding of compelling public interest for release. The organization may petition a court for continued confidentiality upon a showing of good cause.

**Section 1004.43(8), F.S.** – Proprietary confidential business information, as defined in the subsection, of the not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to this section for the purpose of operating the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, and the corporation's subsidiaries, is confidential and exempt from disclosure, except that the Auditor General, Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, and the Board of Governors must be given access and must maintain the confidentiality of the information so received.

**Section 1004.43(9), F.S.** – Meetings of the governing body of the not-for-profit corporation operating the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, or its subsidiaries are exempt from open meeting requirements except that meetings at which expenditures of dollars appropriated to the corporation by the state are discussed must remain open to the public.

**Section 1004.4472, F.S.** – Specified materials held by the Florida Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Inc., or its subsidiary, including certain donor information, as well as trade secrets, patentable material, proprietary information received or generated from research, and exempt information received from other states or the federal government, are confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements. Portions of meetings where confidential information is discussed are exempt from open meetings requirements.

**Section 1004.45(2)(h), F.S.** – Information that, if released, would identify donors who desire to remain anonymous, is confidential and exempt. Information which, if released, would identify prospective donors to the museum is confidential and exempt unless the direct-support organization has obtained the name from another source. Identities of such donors and prospective donors shall not be revealed in the auditor's report.

**Section 1004.55(6), F.S.** – Records that relate to the client of a regional autism center are confidential and exempt from public disclosure. Personal identifying information of a donor or prospective donor who desires to remain anonymous is also confidential.

**Section 1004.70(6), F.S.** – Records of a Florida College System institution direct-support organization other than the auditor's report, any information necessary for the auditor's report, any information related to the expenditure of funds, and any supplemental data requested by the board of trustees, the Auditor General, and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). The identity of donors who desire to remain anonymous shall be protected, and that anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor's report.

**Section 1004.71(6), F.S.** – The identity of a donor or prospective donor to a statewide Florida College System direct-support organization who desires to remain anonymous, and all information identifying such donor or prospective donor are confidential and exempt from disclosure. Such anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor's report.

**Section 1004.78(2), F.S.** – Materials relating to methods of manufacture or production, potential or actual trade secrets, potentially patentable material, business transactions, or proprietary information received, generated, ascertained or discovered during the course of activities conducted within a Florida College System institution are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) provided that an institution shall make available, upon request, the title and description of a project, the name of the investigator and the amount and source of the funding provided for the project.

**Section 1005.36(3), F.S.** – Confidentiality of student records of closed nonpublic postsecondary institutions which are furnished to the Commission for Independent Education in accordance with this section shall be maintained, to the extent required by law.

**Section 1005.38(6), F.S.** – Investigatory records held by the Commission for Independent Education are exempt from public disclosure requirements for a period not to exceed 10 days after the panel makes a determination regarding probable cause. Those portions of meetings of the probable cause panel at which exempt records are discussed are exempt from open meetings

requirements but must be recorded. The recording of a closed portion of a meeting and the minutes and findings of such meeting are exempt from disclosure for a period not to exceed 10 days after the panel makes a determination regarding probable cause.

**Section 1006.07(1)(a), F.S.** – Student expulsion hearings are exempt from s. 286.011. However, the student’s parent must be given notice of the Sunshine Law and may elect to have the hearing held in compliance with that section.

**Section 1006.12(8), F.S.** – Any information held by listed agencies that would identify whether an individual has been appointed as a safe-school officer is exempt.

**Section 1006.1493(5), F.S.** – In accordance with s. 119.071(3)(a), data and information related to security risk assessments administered pursuant to cited statutes and the security information contained in the annual report required pursuant to s. 1006.1493(4), are confidential and exempt.

**Section 1006.52(1), F.S.** – Each public postsecondary educational institution may prescribe the content and custody of records which the university may maintain on its students. A student’s education records, as defined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. s. 1232g, and the federal regulations, and applicant records as defined by this section are confidential and exempt.

**Section 1008.23(1), F.S.** – All examination and assessment instruments, including developmental materials and workpapers directly related thereto, which are prepared, prescribed or administered pursuant to cited statutes, shall be confidential and exempt.

**Section 1008.23(2), F.S.** – All examination and assessment instruments, including developmental materials and workpapers directly related thereto, which are prepared, prescribed, or administered by a Florida College System institution, a state university, or the Department of Education shall be confidential and exempt.

**Section 1008.24(4)(b), F.S.** – The identity of a school or postsecondary educational institution, personal identifying information of any personnel of any school district or postsecondary educational institution, or any specific allegations of misconduct obtained or reported pursuant to an investigation conducted by the Department of Education of a testing impropriety are confidential and exempt until the conclusion of the investigation or until such time as the investigation ceases to be active.

**Section 1008.39(3), F.S.** – The Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program must not make public any information that could identify an individual or the individual’s employer.

**Section 1008.41(1)(b), F.S.** – Uniform management information systems for workforce education coordinated by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to this section must provide for compliance with state and federal confidentiality requirements except that the department shall have access to certain reemployment assistance wage reports to collect and report placement data about former students. Such placement reports must not disclose the individual identities of former students.

**Section 1009.98(6), F.S.** – Information that identifies the purchasers or beneficiaries of a prepaid college plan and their advance payment account activities is exempt from s. 119.07(1). Information which is authorized to be released to postsecondary institutions shall be maintained as exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 1009.981(6), F.S.** – Information that identifies the benefactors or the designated beneficiary of any account initiated pursuant to the Florida College Savings Program is confidential and exempt from public disclosure requirements. However, the board is authorized to release such information to a community college, college, or university in which a designated beneficiary may enroll or is enrolled. The receiving institution shall maintain the confidentiality of such information.

**Section 1009.983(4), F.S.** – The identity of donors who desire to remain anonymous

shall be confidential and exempt from disclosure, and such anonymity shall be maintained in the auditor's report of the direct-support organization of the Florida Prepaid College Program. Information received by the direct-support organization that is otherwise confidential or exempt shall retain such status and any sensitive, personal information regarding contract beneficiaries, including their identities, is exempt from disclosure.

**Section 1009.987, F.S.** – The personal financial and health information of a consumer (defined as a party to a participation agreement) held by the Florida Prepaid College Board, Florida ABLE Inc., or the Florida ABLE program relating to an ABLE account or participation agreement or any information that would identify a consumer is confidential and exempt. Disclosure is authorized in specified circumstances.

**Section 1012.31(3), F.S.** – Public school system employee personnel files are subject to the provisions of s. 119.07(1) except that any complaint and material relating to the investigation of a complaint against an employee is confidential and exempt until the conclusion of the preliminary investigation or until the preliminary investigation ceases to be active; employee evaluations are confidential until the end of the school year immediately following the school year during which the evaluation was made, but no evaluations made prior to July 1, 1983, shall be made public; payroll deduction records of the employee and medical records are confidential and exempt. However, an employee's personnel file shall be open at all times to the officials designated in the subsection.

**Section 1012.56(10)(e), F.S.** – For any examination developed by this state, the Department of Education and the State Board of Education shall maintain confidentiality of the examination, developmental materials, and workpapers, which are exempt from s. 119.07(1).

**Section 1012.56(10)(g), F.S.** – Examination instruments, including developmental materials and workpapers directly related thereto, which are prepared, prescribed, or administered pursuant to this section (educator certification) are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and from s. 1001.52. Provisions governing access to, maintenance of, and destruction of such instruments and related materials shall be prescribed by rules of the State Board of Education.

**Section 1012.796(4), F.S.** – The complaint against a teacher or administrator and all information obtained pursuant to the investigation by the Department of Education shall be confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) until the conclusion of the preliminary investigation, until such time as the preliminary investigation ceases to be active, or until such time as otherwise provided by s. 1012.798(6). However, the complaint and all material assembled during the investigation may be inspected and copied by the certificate holder or the certificate holder's designee, after the investigation is concluded, but prior to the determination of probable cause.

**Section 1012.798(9), F.S.** – Information obtained by the recovery network program (established within the Department of Education to assist impaired educators) from a treatment provider which relates to a person's impairment and participation in the program is confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 1012.798(11), F.S.** – Medical records released pursuant to paragraph (8)(e) of this section relating to the impaired educators recovery network program may be disclosed only to the entities specified only as required for purposes of this section, or as otherwise authorized by law. The medical records are confidential and exempt from disclosure.

**Section 1012.81, F.S.** – Rules of the State Board of Education shall prescribe the content and custody of limited-access records maintained by a Florida College System institution on its employees. Such limited-access records may include only the records described in the section. Limited access records are confidential and exempt and may not be released except as authorized in the section.

**Section 1012.91, F.S.** – Each university board of trustees shall adopt rules prescribing the content and custody of limited-access records maintained on its employees. Such limited-access records are limited to the records described in the section. Limited access records are confidential and exempt and may not be released except as authorized in the section.

**Section 1012.9931, F.S.** – Any portion of a meeting of the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact Commission or its executive committee in which specified information is discussed is exempt from open meetings requirements. Recordings, minutes, and records generated during any portion of an exempt meeting are exempt. Records relating to an investigation of a teacher received from another member state held by the Commissioner of Education or the Department of Education pursuant to the Compact are exempt from disclosure requirements until such time as the investigation ceases to be “active,” as defined in the exemption, or until such time as a preliminary investigation has been concluded with a finding that there is probable cause to proceed and a complaint is filed.

**Section 1013.14(1)(a), F.S.** – In any case where a board, pursuant to the provisions of Ch. 1013, seeks to purchase real property for educational purposes, all appraisals, offers, or counteroffers are exempt from s. 119.07(1) until an option contract is executed or, if no option contract is executed, until 30 days before a contract or agreement for purchase is considered for approval by the board. If a contract or agreement for purchase is not submitted to the board for approval, then the exemption from s. 119.07(1) expires 30 days after the negotiations end.

**E. SECTION 11.0431, FLORIDA STATUTES - LEGISLATIVE RECORDS; EXEMPTIONS FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.****11.0431 Legislative records; intent of legislation; exemption from public disclosure.—**

- (1) It is the policy of the Legislature that every person has the right to inspect and copy records of the Senate and the House of Representatives received in connection with the official business of the Legislature as provided for by the constitution of this state. To that end, public records shall be open to personal inspection and copying at reasonable times except when specific public necessity justifies that public records be exempt from such inspection and copying.
- (2) The following public records are exempt from inspection and copying:
  - (a) Records, or information contained therein, held by the legislative branch of government which, if held by an agency as defined in s. 119.011, or any other unit of government, would be confidential or exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1), or otherwise exempt from public disclosure, and records or information of the same type held by the Legislature.
  - (b) A formal complaint about a member or officer of the Legislature or about a lobbyist and the records relating to the complaint, until the complaint is dismissed, a determination as to probable cause has been made, a determination that there are sufficient grounds for review has been made and no probable cause panel is to be appointed, or the respondent has requested in writing that the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives make public the complaint or other records relating to the complaint, whichever occurs first.
  - (c) A legislatively produced draft, and a legislative request for a draft, of a bill, resolution, memorial, or legislative rule, and an amendment thereto, which is not provided to any person other than the member or members who requested the draft, an employee of the Legislature, a member of the Legislature who is a supervisor of the legislative employee, a contract employee or consultant retained by the Legislature, or an officer of the Legislature.
  - (d) A draft of a bill analysis or fiscal note until the bill analysis or fiscal note is provided to a person other than an employee of the Legislature, a contract employee or consultant retained by the Legislature, or an officer of the Legislature.
  - (e) A draft, and a request for a draft, of a reapportionment plan or redistricting plan and an amendment thereto. Any supporting documents associated with such plan or amendment until a bill implementing the plan, or the amendment, is filed.
  - (f) Records prepared for or used in executive sessions of the Senate until 10 years after the date on which the executive session was held.
  - (g) Portions of records of former legislative investigating committees whose records are sealed or confidential as of June 30, 1993, which may reveal the identity of any witness, any person who was a subject of the inquiry, or any person referred to in testimony, documents, or evidence retained in the committee's records; however, this exemption does not apply to a member of the committee, its staff, or any public official who was not a subject of the inquiry.
  - (h) Requests by members for an advisory opinion concerning the application of the rules of either house pertaining to ethics, unless the member requesting the opinion authorizes in writing the release of such information. All advisory opinions shall be open to inspection except that the identity of the member shall not be disclosed in the opinion unless the member requesting the opinion authorizes in writing the release of such information.
  - (i) Portions of correspondence held by the legislative branch which, if disclosed, would reveal: information otherwise exempt from disclosure by law; an individual's medical treatment, history, or condition; the identity or location of an individual if there is a substantial likelihood that releasing such information would jeopardize the health or safety of that

individual; or information regarding physical abuse, child abuse, spouse abuse, or abuse of the elderly.

- (3) Any record created prior to July 1, 1993, which was not available to the public from the house, commission, committee, or office of the legislative branch that created the record, is exempt from inspection and copying until July 1, 1993. Prior to July 1, 1993, the presiding officer of each house shall determine which records held by that house should remain exempt from inspection and copying. The presiding officers of both houses shall jointly determine which records held by joint committees should remain exempt from inspection and copying. No later than July 1, 1993, the presiding officers shall publish a list of records that remain exempt from inspection and copying.
- (4) For purposes of this section, “public record” means all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, or other material, regardless of physical form or characteristics, made or received pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business by the legislative branch.
- (5) Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the authority of each house of the Legislature to adopt rules pursuant to s. 24, Art. I of the State Constitution.



**F. TABLE OF APPELLATE CASES (GOVERNMENT- IN-THE-SUNSHINE LAW AND THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT) NOTE:** This listing includes federal cases and Florida appellate (i.e., District Court of Appeal or Supreme Court) cases cited in the Sunshine Manual; the complete text of cited Florida county court and circuit court cases is available online at the Office of the Attorney General website: [myfloridalegal.com](http://myfloridalegal.com).

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