
HOUSE BILL No. 1068

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 5-14-3-4; IC 35-45-2-6.

Synopsis: Public safety officer personal information. Provides that records that contain the residential address, personal telephone number, or personal electronic mail address of a law enforcement officer or firefighter are confidential for purposes of the law concerning access to public records. Makes it endangering a public safety officer, a Class D felony, for a person to knowingly or intentionally use an interactive computer service to post, publish, or otherwise disseminate the residential address of a law enforcement officer or firefighter if the person knows or reasonably should know that the posting, publishing, or dissemination of the residential address poses an imminent threat to the safety of: (1) the law enforcement officer or firefighter; or (2) a spouse, child, or parent of the law enforcement officer or firefighter.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 5-14-3-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.94-2010,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 4. (a) The following public records are excepted
4 from section 3 of this chapter and may not be disclosed by a public
5 agency, unless access to the records is specifically required by a state
6 or federal statute or is ordered by a court under the rules of discovery:
7 (1) Those declared confidential by state statute.
8 (2) Those declared confidential by rule adopted by a public
9 agency under specific authority to classify public records as
10 confidential granted to the public agency by statute.
11 (3) Those required to be kept confidential by federal law.
12 (4) Records containing trade secrets.
13 (5) Confidential financial information obtained, upon request,
14 from a person. However, this does not include information that is
15 filed with or received by a public agency pursuant to state statute.
16 (6) Information concerning research, including actual research
17 documents, conducted under the auspices of a state educational



- 1 institution, including information:
- 2 (A) concerning any negotiations made with respect to the
- 3 research; and
- 4 (B) received from another party involved in the research.
- 5 (7) Grade transcripts and license examination scores obtained as
- 6 part of a licensure process.
- 7 (8) Those declared confidential by or under rules adopted by the
- 8 supreme court of Indiana.
- 9 (9) Patient medical records and charts created by a provider,
- 10 unless the patient gives written consent under IC 16-39 or as
- 11 provided under IC 16-41-8.
- 12 (10) Application information declared confidential by the board
- 13 of the Indiana economic development corporation under
- 14 IC 5-28-16.
- 15 (11) A photograph, a video recording, or an audio recording of an
- 16 autopsy, except as provided in IC 36-2-14-10.
- 17 (12) A Social Security number contained in the records of a
- 18 public agency.
- 19 **(13) Records that contain the:**
- 20 **(A) residential address;**
- 21 **(B) personal telephone number; or**
- 22 **(C) personal electronic mail address;**
- 23 **of a law enforcement officer (as defined in IC 35-41-1-17) or**
- 24 **firefighter (as defined in IC 35-42-2-6).**
- 25 (b) Except as otherwise provided by subsection (a), the following
- 26 public records shall be excepted from section 3 of this chapter at the
- 27 discretion of a public agency:
- 28 (1) Investigatory records of law enforcement agencies. However,
- 29 certain law enforcement records must be made available for
- 30 inspection and copying as provided in section 5 of this chapter.
- 31 (2) The work product of an attorney representing, pursuant to
- 32 state employment or an appointment by a public agency:
- 33 (A) a public agency;
- 34 (B) the state; or
- 35 (C) an individual.
- 36 (3) Test questions, scoring keys, and other examination data used
- 37 in administering a licensing examination, examination for
- 38 employment, or academic examination before the examination is
- 39 given or if it is to be given again.
- 40 (4) Scores of tests if the person is identified by name and has not
- 41 consented to the release of the person's scores.
- 42 (5) The following:

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(A) Records relating to negotiations between the Indiana economic development corporation, the ports of Indiana, the Indiana state department of agriculture, the Indiana finance authority, an economic development commission, a local economic development organization (as defined in IC 5-28-11-2(3)), or a governing body of a political subdivision with industrial, research, or commercial prospects, if the records are created while negotiations are in progress.

(B) Notwithstanding clause (A), the terms of the final offer of public financial resources communicated by the Indiana economic development corporation, the ports of Indiana, the Indiana finance authority, an economic development commission, or a governing body of a political subdivision to an industrial, a research, or a commercial prospect shall be available for inspection and copying under section 3 of this chapter after negotiations with that prospect have terminated.

(C) When disclosing a final offer under clause (B), the Indiana economic development corporation shall certify that the information being disclosed accurately and completely represents the terms of the final offer.

(6) Records that are intra-agency or interagency advisory or deliberative material, including material developed by a private contractor under a contract with a public agency, that are expressions of opinion or are of a speculative nature, and that are communicated for the purpose of decision making.

(7) Diaries, journals, or other personal notes serving as the functional equivalent of a diary or journal.

(8) Personnel files of public employees and files of applicants for public employment, except for:

(A) the name, compensation, job title, business address, business telephone number, job description, education and training background, previous work experience, or dates of first and last employment of present or former officers or employees of the agency;

(B) information relating to the status of any formal charges against the employee; and

(C) the factual basis for a disciplinary action in which final action has been taken and that resulted in the employee being suspended, demoted, or discharged.

However, all personnel file information shall be made available to the affected employee or the employee's representative. This subdivision does not apply to disclosure of personnel information

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- 1 generally on all employees or for groups of employees without the
- 2 request being particularized by employee name.
- 3 (9) Minutes or records of hospital medical staff meetings.
- 4 (10) Administrative or technical information that would
- 5 jeopardize a record keeping or security system.
- 6 (11) Computer programs, computer codes, computer filing
- 7 systems, and other software that are owned by the public agency
- 8 or entrusted to it and portions of electronic maps entrusted to a
- 9 public agency by a utility.
- 10 (12) Records specifically prepared for discussion or developed
- 11 during discussion in an executive session under IC 5-14-1.5-6.1.
- 12 However, this subdivision does not apply to that information
- 13 required to be available for inspection and copying under
- 14 subdivision (8).
- 15 (13) The work product of the legislative services agency under
- 16 personnel rules approved by the legislative council.
- 17 (14) The work product of individual members and the partisan
- 18 staffs of the general assembly.
- 19 (15) The identity of a donor of a gift made to a public agency if:
- 20 (A) the donor requires nondisclosure of the donor's identity as
- 21 a condition of making the gift; or
- 22 (B) after the gift is made, the donor or a member of the donor's
- 23 family requests nondisclosure.
- 24 (16) Library or archival records:
- 25 (A) which can be used to identify any library patron; or
- 26 (B) deposited with or acquired by a library upon a condition
- 27 that the records be disclosed only:
- 28 (i) to qualified researchers;
- 29 (ii) after the passing of a period of years that is specified in
- 30 the documents under which the deposit or acquisition is
- 31 made; or
- 32 (iii) after the death of persons specified at the time of the
- 33 acquisition or deposit.
- 34 However, nothing in this subdivision shall limit or affect contracts
- 35 entered into by the Indiana state library pursuant to IC 4-1-6-8.
- 36 (17) The identity of any person who contacts the bureau of motor
- 37 vehicles concerning the ability of a driver to operate a motor
- 38 vehicle safely and the medical records and evaluations made by
- 39 the bureau of motor vehicles staff or members of the driver
- 40 licensing medical advisory board regarding the ability of a driver
- 41 to operate a motor vehicle safely. However, upon written request
- 42 to the commissioner of the bureau of motor vehicles, the driver

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1 must be given copies of the driver's medical records and
 2 evaluations.
 3 (18) School safety and security measures, plans, and systems,
 4 including emergency preparedness plans developed under 511
 5 IAC 6.1-2-2.5.
 6 (19) A record or a part of a record, the public disclosure of which
 7 would have a reasonable likelihood of threatening public safety
 8 by exposing a vulnerability to terrorist attack. A record described
 9 under this subdivision includes:
 10 (A) a record assembled, prepared, or maintained to prevent,
 11 mitigate, or respond to an act of terrorism under IC 35-47-12-1
 12 or an act of agricultural terrorism under IC 35-47-12-2;
 13 (B) vulnerability assessments;
 14 (C) risk planning documents;
 15 (D) needs assessments;
 16 (E) threat assessments;
 17 (F) intelligence assessments;
 18 (G) domestic preparedness strategies;
 19 (H) the location of community drinking water wells and
 20 surface water intakes;
 21 (I) the emergency contact information of emergency
 22 responders and volunteers;
 23 (J) infrastructure records that disclose the configuration of
 24 critical systems such as communication, electrical, ventilation,
 25 water, and wastewater systems; and
 26 (K) detailed drawings or specifications of structural elements,
 27 floor plans, and operating, utility, or security systems, whether
 28 in paper or electronic form, of any building or facility located
 29 on an airport (as defined in IC 8-21-1-1) that is owned,
 30 occupied, leased, or maintained by a public agency. A record
 31 described in this clause may not be released for public
 32 inspection by any public agency without the prior approval of
 33 the public agency that owns, occupies, leases, or maintains the
 34 airport. The public agency that owns, occupies, leases, or
 35 maintains the airport:
 36 (i) is responsible for determining whether the public
 37 disclosure of a record or a part of a record has a reasonable
 38 likelihood of threatening public safety by exposing a
 39 vulnerability to terrorist attack; and
 40 (ii) must identify a record described under item (i) and
 41 clearly mark the record as "confidential and not subject to
 42 public disclosure under IC 5-14-3-4(b)(19)(J) without

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1 approval of (insert name of submitting public agency)".

2 This subdivision does not apply to a record or portion of a record

3 pertaining to a location or structure owned or protected by a

4 public agency in the event that an act of terrorism under

5 IC 35-47-12-1 or an act of agricultural terrorism under

6 IC 35-47-12-2 has occurred at that location or structure, unless

7 release of the record or portion of the record would have a

8 reasonable likelihood of threatening public safety by exposing a

9 vulnerability of other locations or structures to terrorist attack.

10 (20) The following personal information concerning a customer

11 of a municipally owned utility (as defined in IC 8-1-2-1):

12 (A) Telephone number.

13 (B) Address.

14 (C) Social Security number.

15 (21) The following personal information about a complainant

16 contained in records of a law enforcement agency:

17 (A) Telephone number.

18 (B) The complainant's address. However, if the complainant's

19 address is the location of the suspected crime, infraction,

20 accident, or complaint reported, the address shall be made

21 available for public inspection and copying.

22 (22) Notwithstanding subdivision (8)(A), the name,

23 compensation, job title, business address, business telephone

24 number, job description, education and training background,

25 previous work experience, or dates of first employment of a law

26 enforcement officer who is operating in an undercover capacity.

27 (23) Records requested by an offender that:

28 (A) contain personal information relating to:

29 (i) a correctional officer (as defined in IC 5-10-10-1.5);

30 (ii) the victim of a crime; or

31 (iii) a family member of a correctional officer or the victim

32 of a crime; or

33 (B) concern or could affect the security of a jail or correctional

34 facility.

35 (c) Nothing contained in subsection (b) shall limit or affect the right

36 of a person to inspect and copy a public record required or directed to

37 be made by any statute or by any rule of a public agency.

38 (d) Notwithstanding any other law, a public record that is classified

39 as confidential, other than a record concerning an adoption or patient

40 medical records, shall be made available for inspection and copying

41 seventy-five (75) years after the creation of that record.

42 (e) Only the content of a public record may form the basis for the

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1 adoption by any public agency of a rule or procedure creating an
2 exception from disclosure under this section.

3 (f) Except as provided by law, a public agency may not adopt a rule
4 or procedure that creates an exception from disclosure under this
5 section based upon whether a public record is stored or accessed using
6 paper, electronic media, magnetic media, optical media, or other
7 information storage technology.

8 (g) Except as provided by law, a public agency may not adopt a rule
9 or procedure nor impose any costs or liabilities that impede or restrict
10 the reproduction or dissemination of any public record.

11 (h) Notwithstanding subsection (d) and section 7 of this chapter:

12 (1) public records subject to IC 5-15 may be destroyed only in
13 accordance with record retention schedules under IC 5-15; or

14 (2) public records not subject to IC 5-15 may be destroyed in the
15 ordinary course of business.

16 SECTION 2. IC 35-45-2-6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
17 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
18 1, 2011]: **Sec. 6. (a) As used in this section, "interactive computer
19 service" means an Internet service, an information service, a
20 system, or an access software provider that provides or enables
21 computer access to a computer served by multiple users. The term
22 includes the following:**

23 (1) A service or system that:

24 (A) provides access; or

25 (B) is an intermediary;

26 to the Internet.

27 (2) A system operated by or services offered by a library,
28 school, state educational institution, or private postsecondary
29 educational institution.

30 (b) A person who:

31 (1) knowingly or intentionally uses an interactive computer
32 service to post, publish, or otherwise disseminate the
33 residential address of a law enforcement officer or firefighter;
34 and

35 (2) knows or reasonably should know that the posting,
36 publishing, or dissemination of the residential address poses
37 an imminent threat to the safety of:

38 (A) the law enforcement officer or firefighter; or

39 (B) a spouse, child, or parent of the law enforcement
40 officer or firefighter;

41 commits endangering a public safety officer, a Class D felony.

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