

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 249

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(21) and to enact R.S. 34:3499.2, relative to certain  
3 port facility records; to provide for the confidentiality of blueprints, floor plans, and  
4 interior renderings of such facilities and of blueprints, plans, and renderings of port  
5 infrastructure; to provide for an effective date; to provide for a public record  
6 exception; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 34:3499.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §3499.2. Port facility and infrastructure records

10 A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, blueprints,  
11 floor plans, and renderings of the interior of a port facility or of a facility on port  
12 property and blueprints, plans, or renderings of port infrastructure shall be  
13 confidential and shall not be subject to inspection, examination, copying, or  
14 reproduction pursuant to the Public Records Law.

15 B. Nothing in this Section shall prohibit the disclosure of a blueprint, floor  
16 plan, or other rendering of the interior of a port facility or of a facility on port  
17 property or a blueprint, plan, or rendering of port infrastructure to appropriate  
18 persons, if such disclosure is necessary or required for any of the following:

19 (1) To protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

20 (2) To provide or procure security, services, or concessions in and around  
21 the port and its facilities.

1                   (3) To use as part of a public bid or request for proposal process or to  
2                   accomplish construction maintenance, repairs, or development.

3                   (4) To facilitate interactions with a federal, state, or local governmental  
4                   entity.

5                   Section 2. R.S. 44:4.1(B)(21) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

6                   §4.1. Exceptions

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8                   B. The legislature further recognizes that there exist exceptions, exemptions,  
9                   and limitations to the laws pertaining to public records throughout the revised  
10                  statutes and codes of this state. Therefore, the following exceptions, exemptions, and  
11                  limitations are hereby continued in effect by incorporation into this Chapter by  
12                  citation:

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14   (21) R.S. 34:340.21, 1005, 3499.2

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16                  Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
17                  signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
18                  by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
19                  vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
20                  effective on the day following such approval.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_