

Existing law (R.S. 40:384) defines an "affiliate" of a housing authority as any corporation, entity, partnership, venture, syndicate, or arrangement in which a local housing authority has an ownership or governance interest of less than a majority.

Existing law (R.S. 40:487) provides that affiliates of housing authorities are not subject to the laws of the state applicable to public agencies and their governing bodies by virtue of their affiliation with a local housing authority. New law provides an exception to existing law; specifically provides for the applicability of the Public Records Law to such housing authority affiliates.

Existing law (R.S. 44:1) provides a definition of the term "public body" as it is used in the Public Records Law. New law adds affiliates of housing authorities to such definition.

New law further provides that new law shall not require the disclosure of documents or records of persons not otherwise subject to the Public Records Law who hold an ownership interest in, or authority over, an affiliate of a housing authority; however such protection shall not prevent the disclosure of the identity of persons holding an ownership interest in an affiliate.

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(Amends R.S. 40:487 and R.S. 44:1(A)(1))