

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 141

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO

COURTS: Provides relative to certain information on court filings

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(2) and Code of Criminal
3 Procedure Article 14.1(B), relative to private information in court filings; to revise
4 the types of information prohibited in court filings; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(2) is hereby amended and
8 reenacted to read as follows:

9 Art. 253. Pleadings, documents, and exhibits to be filed with clerk

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11 B.

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13 (2) On and after January 1, 2026, all filings as provided in Paragraph A of
14 this Article and all other provisions of this Chapter filed by an attorney shall only be
15 filed in person in paper form or transmitted electronically in accordance with a
16 system established by a clerk of court or by Louisiana Clerks' Remote Access
17 Authority. The filer shall be responsible for ensuring that private information is not
18 included in filings. No filing shall include the first five digits of any social security
19 number, tax identification numbers, state identification numbers, driver's license
20 numbers, financial account numbers, ~~full dates of birth~~, or any information protected
21 from disclosure by state or federal law. The clerk of court shall adopt a system for

1 the electronic filing and storage of any pleading, document, or exhibit filed with a
2 pleading. A pleading or document filed electronically is deemed filed on the date
3 and time stated on the confirmation of electronic filing sent from the system, if the
4 clerk of court accepts the electronic filing. Public access to electronically filed
5 pleadings and documents shall be in accordance with the rules governing access to
6 paper filings.

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8 Section 2. Code of Criminal Procedure Article 14.1(B) is hereby amended and
9 reenacted to read as follows:

10 Art. 14.1. Electronic filings

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12 B.(1) Beginning January 1, 2026, all filings as provided in this Article and
13 all other provisions of this Code filed by an attorney shall only be filed in person in
14 paper form or transmitted electronically in accordance with a system established by
15 a clerk of court or by the Louisiana Clerks' Remote Access Authority. ~~The~~ Except
16 as provided in Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph, the filer shall be responsible for
17 ensuring that private information is not included in filings. No filing shall include
18 the first five digits of any social security number, tax identification numbers, state
19 identification numbers, driver's license numbers, financial account numbers, ~~full~~
20 ~~dates of birth,~~ or any information protected from disclosure by state or federal law.
21 The clerk of court shall adopt a system for the electronic filing and storage of any
22 pleading, document, or exhibit other than those documents or exhibits introduced and
23 filed at a hearing or trial. Furthermore, in a court that accepts electronic filings in
24 accordance with this Paragraph, the official record shall be the electronic record. A
25 pleading or document filed electronically is deemed filed on the date and time stated
26 on the confirmation of electronic filing sent from the system, if the clerk of court
27 accepts the electronic filing. Public access to electronically filed pleadings and
28 documents shall be in accordance with the rules governing access to written filings.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill:

1. Clarify that nothing in present law (C.Cr.P. Art. 14.1) limits the information that is required to be provided by a prosecuting agency.
2. Make technical corrections.