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DIGEST

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Present law provides a list of exceptions to public records.

Proposed law creates a new public records exception for crime scene photographs and other evidence used in a criminal proceeding.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 44:4.1(B)(30); adds R.S. 44:4(65))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to the original bill

1. Remove existing language and replaced it with language that provides categories of evidence depictions and gives authority to clerks of court to review.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Provide more detailed examples of records that would be exempted from the Public Records Law.

2. Remove the word "ultimate" as an additional qualifier for a type of evidence for a criminal prosecution in the custody of a clerk of court.