

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 339** HLS 26RS 1014
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action: **w/ HSE FLOOR AMD**
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Access to Personal Information - Protected Individuals		

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 Provides relative to access to personal information of protected individuals

Current law provides that a protected individual, or the judicial administrator's office on behalf of a protected individual, may request that a public body or third party, within 10 days upon receipt of a request in writing, remove the personal information of protected individuals from any existing publication; provides that a third party shall, within 72 hours after receipt of a request, remove the personal information of protected individuals; provides that a protected individual may bring an action for mandamus for declaratory and injunctive relief and reasonable attorney's fees; assesses a sentence of imprisonment for up to 90 days or a fine of no more than \$1,000, or both, for a third party who publishes the information of a protected individual. Proposed law adds current law enforcement officers and current or retired administrative law judges to the class of persons (protected individuals) that may request that their personal information not be published by a public body or third party; removes third parties from the class of individuals responsible for complying with rules on publication of information of protected individuals, and exempts them from mandamus actions or a suit for damages for violation of the proposed law.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in Local Funds expenditures for Sheriffs and an indeterminable increase in workload in local district courts. There is no anticipated direct material effect on state governmental expenditures as a result of this measure because this legislation adds current law enforcement officers and current or retired administrative law judges to the class of individuals protected under current law, which is a misdemeanor offense; therefore, these offenders will not be sentenced to the Department of Public Safety & Corrections - Corrections Services (DPS&C-CS).

Sheriffs
Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in Local Funds expenditures for local governing authorities if a person is convicted of publishing or failing to remove a protected individual's personal information from any existing publication in the public domain. The exact fiscal impact of this legislation to local governing authorities is indeterminable, since it adds two additional classes of individuals protected under current law, and it is not known how many people will be convicted and incarcerated in local facilities, nor the length of the sentences assessed with those convictions as a result of its potential enactment. The maximum imprisonment term at the local level is no more than 90 days.

District Courts
Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in workload in local district courts, to the extent that additional mandamus hearings are held relative to civil actions seeking declaratory and injunctive relief against persons who publish or fail to remove a protected individual's personal information from any existing publication in the public domain. The exact fiscal impact to district courts is indeterminable, because it is unknown the number of instances in which hearings on these matters will be scheduled under proposed law as a result of filings submitted by protected individuals (current law enforcement officers), current or retired administrative law judges, or judicial administrators. To the extent that the workload in district courts increases, local courts may seek to secure additional personnel.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in local revenues as a result of convictions for publishing or failing to remove a protected individual's personal information from any existing publication in the public domain. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation on local revenue is indeterminable, as the fines that would be imposed on those convicted are optional, and the amount of fines that may be imposed may vary. Any potential revenue will accrue to the local governing authority.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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