

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 222

BY SENATOR CLAITOR

PUBLIC RECORDS. Provides that certain records in the custody of the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors are exempt from the Public Records Law. (8/1/16)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 44:4(51), relative to public records; to provide for the application of the public
3 records law; to provide exceptions from the public records law for certain security
4 issues; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 44:4(51) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §4. Applicability

8 This Chapter shall not apply:

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10 (51) To any records, writings, accounts, letters, exhibits, pictures,
11 drawings, charts, photographs, or copies of memoranda thereof, in any reports
12 of examinations or evaluations or any other information in the custody of the
13 Louisiana State Licensing Board of Contractors concerning the fitness of any
14 person or entity to receive, or continue to hold a contractor's license until such
15 determination all records and any legal grounds upon which such action is
16 based, relative to fitness of a person or entity to receive or continue to hold a
17 license shall be public records. Nothing in the Section shall be construed to

1 **allow the disclosure of the examinations administered by the board, nor the**
 2 **answers to such examination to any portion of the examinations administered**
 3 **by the board.**

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Ashley Mitchell Carter.

DIGEST

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Present law provides for the public records law and exceptions to the law.

Proposed law adds an exception for any records, writings, accounts, letters, exhibits, pictures, drawings, charts, photographs, or copies of memoranda thereof, in any reports of examinations or evaluations or any other information in the custody of the Louisiana State Licensing Board of Contractors concerning the fitness or any person or entity to receive, or continue to hold a contractor's license.

Proposed law also provides that once a final determination has been made concerning the fitness of the contractor, the resources used to make the determination will become public record.

Proposed law prohibits the disclosure of the examinations administered by the board and the answers.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 44:4(51))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

1. Prohibits the disclosure of examinations administered by the board and answers to such examinations.