

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 12

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THAT EMERGENCY OR SECURITY RECORDS OR OTHER INFORMATION FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL, OR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IS EXEMPT FROM THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO ESTABLISH THAT EMERGENCY OR SECURITY RECORDS OR OTHER INFORMATION FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL, OR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IS EXEMPT FROM THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 15, Subchapter 13, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-15-1304. Emergency or security records or information – Disclosure exempted.

The following records or other information related to a public school district or public school that operates a prekindergarten program or serves any students in any grade in kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) is confidential and not subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq.:



(1) Records or other information that upon disclosure could reasonably be expected to be detrimental to the public safety, including without limitation records or other information concerning emergency or security plans, school safety plans, procedures, risk assessments, studies, measures, or systems; and

(2) Records or other information relating to the number of licensed security officers, school resource officers, or other security personnel, as well as any personal information about those individuals.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 61, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-61-139. Emergency or security records or information – Disclosure exempted.

The following records or other information is confidential and not subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq.:

(1) Records or other information of a state-supported institution of higher education that upon disclosure could reasonably be expected to be detrimental to the public safety, including records or other information concerning emergency or security plans, procedures, risk assessments, studies, measures, or systems; and

(2) Records or other information relating to the number of licensed security officers, certified law enforcement officers, or other security personnel employed by or contracting with a state-supported institution of higher education, as well as any personal information about those individuals.

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