

File No. 303

Substitute Senate Bill No. 328

Senate, April 2, 1998. The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through SEN. LEBEAU, 3rd DIST., Chairman of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE NONDISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN SENIOR CENTER INFORMATION UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 (NEW) No provision of the Freedom of  
2 Information Act, as defined in section 1-18a of  
3 the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of  
4 public act 97-47, shall be construed to require a  
5 public agency, as defined in said section 1-18a,  
6 to disclose the names and addresses of persons  
7 receiving services at a nonprofit senior citizen  
8 center.

9 GAE COMMITTEE VOTE: YEA 9 NAY 8 JFS

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"THE FOLLOWING FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND BILL ANALYSIS ARE PREPARED FOR THE BENEFIT OF MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SOLELY FOR PURPOSES OF INFORMATION, SUMMARIZATION AND EXPLANATION AND DO NOT REPRESENT THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR EITHER HOUSE THEREOF FOR ANY PURPOSE."

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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT - BILL NUMBER sSB 328**

STATE IMPACT                   None, see explanation below

MUNICIPAL IMPACT           None

STATE AGENCY(S)           Freedom of Information

**EXPLANATION OF ESTIMATES:**

Since the information is exempt from disclosure, the Freedom of Information Commission would not have to investigate complaints alleging violations, therefore, the passage of the bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the agency. In addition, the number of complaints filed with the Commission are minimal, thus, the exemption is not expected to have an impact on the workload of the Commission.

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**OLR BILL ANALYSIS**

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**SUMMARY:** This bill eliminates a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requirement that public agencies disclose the names and addresses of people receiving services at nonprofit senior citizen centers. Under current law, the FOIA requires the agencies to disclose nonexempt records or files they keep or maintain, unless state or federal law requires them to be kept confidential. Agencies have discretion to disclose exempt records.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 1998

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute  
Yea 9            Nay 8