CHAPTER 2012-221

House Bill No. 7037

An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 556.113, F.S., relating to an exemption from public records requirements for proprietary confidential business information held by Sunshine State One-Call of Florida, Inc.; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 556.113, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

556.113 Sunshine State One-Call of Florida, Inc.; public records exemption.—

(1) As used in this section, the term "proprietary confidential business information" means information provided by:

(a) A member operator which is a map, plan, facility location diagram, internal damage investigation report or analysis, dispatch methodology, or trade secret as defined in s. 688.002, or which describes the exact location of a utility underground facility or the protection, repair, or restoration thereof, and:

1. Is intended to be and is treated by the member operator as confidential;

2. The disclosure of which would likely be used by a competitor to harm the business interests of the member operator or could be used for the purpose of inflicting damage on underground facilities; and

3. Is not otherwise readily ascertainable or publicly available by proper means by other persons from another source in the same configuration as provided to Sunshine State One-Call of Florida, Inc.

(b) An excavator in an internal damage investigation report or analysis relating to damage to underground utility facilities, and:

1. Is intended to be and is treated by the excavator as confidential;

2. The disclosure of which would be reasonably likely to be used by a competitor to harm the business interests of the excavator or could be used for the purpose of inflicting damage on underground facilities; and

3. Is not otherwise readily ascertainable or publicly available by proper means by other persons from another source in the same configuration as provided to Sunshine State One-Call of Florida, Inc.

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(2) Proprietary confidential business information held by Sunshine State One-Call of Florida, Inc., for the purpose of describing the extent and root cause of damage to an underground facility or using the member ticket management software system is exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.

(3) This section is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2012, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2012.

Approved by the Governor May 4, 2012.

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