

CHAPTER 2014-185

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 858

An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 288.985, F.S., which provides exemptions from public records and public meetings requirements for certain records and meetings of the Florida Defense Support Task Force; removing the penalty; removing superfluous language; saving the exemptions from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 288.985, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.985 Exemptions from public records and public meetings requirements.—

(1) The following records held by the Florida Defense Support Task Force are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution:

(a) That portion of a record which relates to strengths and weaknesses of military installations or military missions in this state relative to the selection criteria for the realignment and closure of military bases and missions under any United States Department of Defense base realignment and closure process.

(b) That portion of a record which relates to strengths and weaknesses of military installations or military missions in other states or territories and the vulnerability of such installations or missions to base realignment or closure under the United States Department of Defense base realignment and closure process, and any agreements or proposals to relocate or realign military units and missions from other states or territories.

(c) That portion of a record which relates to the state's strategy to retain its military bases during any United States Department of Defense base realignment and closure process and any agreements or proposals to relocate or realign military units and missions.

(2)(a) Meetings or portions of meetings of the Florida Defense Support Task Force, or a workgroup of the task force, at which records are presented or discussed that which are exempt under subsection (1) are exempt from s. 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution.

(b)(3) Any records generated during those portions of meetings that which are exempt closed to the public under paragraph (a) subsection (2), including, but not limited to, minutes, tape recordings, videotapes, digital recordings, transcriptions, or notes, are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.

~~(4) Any person who willfully and knowingly violates this section commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.~~

~~(5) This section is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2014, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.~~

Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2014.

Approved by the Governor June 20, 2014.

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