CHAPTER 2016-178

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1004

An act relating to security system plans; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; revising exceptions to a public records exemption; amending s. 281.301, F.S.; providing exceptions to a public records exemption; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 119.071, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

119.071 General exemptions from inspection or copying of public records.—

(3) SECURITY.—

(a)1. As used in this paragraph, the term "security system plan" includes all:

a. Records, information, photographs, audio and visual presentations, schematic diagrams, surveys, recommendations, or consultations or portions thereof relating directly to the physical security of the facility or revealing security systems;

b. Threat assessments conducted by any agency or any private entity;

c. Threat response plans;

d. Emergency evacuation plans;

e. Sheltering arrangements; or

f. Manuals for security personnel, emergency equipment, or security training.

2. A security system plan or portion thereof for:

a. Any property owned by or leased to the state or any of its political subdivisions; or

b. Any privately owned or leased property

held by an agency is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This exemption is remedial in nature, and it is the intent of the Legislature that this exemption apply to security system plans held by an agency before, on, or after the effective date of this paragraph.

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3. Information made confidential and exempt by this paragraph may be disclosed by the custodian of public records to:

a. <u>To</u> the property owner or leaseholder; or

b. <u>In furtherance of the official duties and responsibilities of the agency</u> <u>holding the information;</u> Another state or federal agency to prevent, detect, guard against, respond to, investigate, or manage the consequences of any attempted or actual act of terrorism, or to prosecute those persons who are responsible for such attempts or acts

c. To another local, state, or federal agency in furtherance of that agency's official duties and responsibilities; or

d. Upon a showing of good cause before a court of competent jurisdiction.

Section 2. Section 281.301, Florida Statutes, is amended, to read:

 $281.301\,$ Security systems; records and meetings exempt from public access or disclosure.—

(1) Information relating to the security systems for any property owned by or leased to the state or any of its political subdivisions, and information relating to the security systems for any privately owned or leased property which is in the possession of any agency as defined in s. 119.011(2), including all records, information, photographs, audio and visual presentations, schematic diagrams, surveys, recommendations, or consultations or portions thereof relating directly to or revealing such systems or information, and all meetings relating directly to or that would reveal such systems or information are confidential and exempt from ss. 119.07(1) and 286.011 and other laws and rules requiring public access or disclosure.

(2) Information made confidential and exempt by this section may be disclosed:

(a) To the property owner or leaseholder;

(b) In furtherance of the official duties and responsibilities of the agency holding the information;

(c) To another local, state, or federal agency in furtherance of that agency's official duties and responsibilities; or

(d) Upon a showing of good cause before a court of competent jurisdiction.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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