By: Hunter, Rodriguez (Senate Sponsor - Johnson) H.B. No. 1655 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 26, 2019; April 29, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce; May 6, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 6, 2019, sent to printer.) 1-1 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to the availability of dates of birth under the public 1-19 1-20 information law. 1-21

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 1-23 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 552, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 552.0222 to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 552.0222. DATES OF BIRTH. Notwithstanding Section 10<u>1,</u> 1-25 this chapter does not authorize a governmental body to withhold a date of birth except as: (1) permitted by Section 552.102; (2) permitted by the federal privacy 1-26

1-27 1-28 requirements adopted under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability 1-29 1-30 Act of 1996 (Pub. L. No. 104-191) contained in 45 C.F.R. Part 160 1-31 and 45 C.F.R. Part 164; or

1-32 (3) otherwise provided by constitutional or statutory 1-33 law.

1-34 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to 1-35 a request for information that is received by a governmental body or an officer for public information on or after the effective date of this Act. A request for information that was received before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the 1-36 1-37 1-38 1-39 date the request was received, and the former law is continued in 1-40 effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 1-41 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 1-42 1-43 1 - 44Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019. 1-45

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