

1-1 By: King of Parker, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Fallon) H.B. No. 2828  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2019;  
 1-3 May 10, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Business  
 1-4 & Commerce; May 20, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote:  
 1-5 Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 20, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the exception of certain information related to the  
 1-20 humane disposition by a municipality or county of an animal from  
 1-21 required disclosure under the public information law.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 552, Government Code, is  
 1-24 amended by adding Section 552.1177 to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 552.1177. EXCEPTION: CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN  
 1-26 INFORMATION RELATED TO HUMANE DISPOSITION OF ANIMAL. (a) Except as  
 1-27 provided by Subsection (b), information is confidential and  
 1-28 excepted from the requirements of Section 552.021 if the  
 1-29 information relates to the name, address, telephone number, e-mail  
 1-30 address, driver's license number, social security number, or other  
 1-31 personally identifying information of a person who obtains  
 1-32 ownership or control of an animal from a municipality or county  
 1-33 making a humane disposition of the animal under a municipal  
 1-34 ordinance or an order of the commissioners court.

1-35 (b) A governmental body may disclose information made  
 1-36 confidential by Subsection (a) to a governmental entity, or to a  
 1-37 person who under a contract with a governmental entity provides  
 1-38 animal control services, animal registration services, or related  
 1-39 services to the governmental entity, for purposes related to the  
 1-40 protection of public health and safety.

1-41 (c) A governmental entity or other person that receives  
 1-42 information under Subsection (b):

1-43 (1) must maintain the confidentiality of the  
 1-44 information;

1-45 (2) may not disclose the information under this  
 1-46 chapter; and

1-47 (3) may not use the information for a purpose that does  
 1-48 not directly relate to the protection of public health and safety.

1-49 (d) A governmental body, by providing public information  
 1-50 under Subsection (b) that is confidential or otherwise excepted  
 1-51 from required disclosure under law, does not waive or affect the  
 1-52 confidentiality of the information for purposes of state or federal  
 1-53 law or waive the right to assert exceptions to required disclosure  
 1-54 of the information in the future.

1-55 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to a  
 1-56 request for information that is received by a governmental body or  
 1-57 an officer for public information on or after the effective date of  
 1-58 this Act.

1-59 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-60 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-61 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

2-1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2-2 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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