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H.B. No. 4200

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to an exception from required disclosure of information  
3 related to certain crime victims maintained by a county or district  
4 clerk.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 552, Government Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 552.1315 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 552.1315. EXCEPTION: CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN CRIME  
9 VICTIM RECORDS. Information maintained by a county or district  
10 clerk is confidential and not subject to disclosure under this  
11 chapter if the information identifies an individual as:

12 (1) a victim of an offense under Section 22.011 or  
13 22.021, Penal Code; or

14 (2) a victim of any criminal offense, if the victim was  
15 younger than 17 years of age when any element of the offense was  
16 committed.

17 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to a  
18 request for information that is received by a governmental body or  
19 an officer for public information on or after the effective date of  
20 this Act.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.