

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4015**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled  
"Freedom of information act,"  
(MCL 15.231 to 15.246) by adding sections 29c and 29d.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           **Sec. 29c. (1) This part shall not be construed to limit,**  
2 **modify, waive, or otherwise affect the privileges and immunities**  
3 **guaranteed under section 11 of article IV of the state constitution**  
4 **of 1963.**

5           **(2) This part does not create or imply a private cause of**  
6 **action for a violation of this part.**

7           **Sec. 29d. (1) A public body may exempt from disclosure as a**  
8 **public record under this part any of the following:**

9           **(a) Records or information of a personal nature if public**



1 disclosure of the information would constitute a clearly  
2 unwarranted invasion of an individual's privacy. That information  
3 includes, but is not limited to, the following:

4 (i) An individual's Social Security number, financial  
5 institution record, electronic fund number, deferred compensation,  
6 savings bonds, W-2 and W-4 forms, and any court-enforced judgments.

7 (ii) An employee's health care benefit selection.

8 (iii) Unemployment compensation and worker's disability  
9 compensation records.

10 (iv) Internet-use records unless the records indicate an  
11 unlawful use of public resources.

12 (b) Medical, counseling, or psychological facts or evaluations  
13 concerning an individual if the individual's identity would be  
14 revealed by a disclosure of those facts or evaluation, including  
15 protected health information, as defined in 45 CFR 160.103.

16 (c) Communications, including any related records or  
17 information, between a legislator or a legislator's office and a  
18 constituent, other than a person required to be registered as a  
19 lobbyist under 1978 PA 472, MCL 4.411 to 4.431. For purposes of  
20 this subdivision, "constituent" means any of the following:

21 (i) An individual who is registered to vote in the district the  
22 legislator is elected to represent.

23 (ii) An individual who is a resident of the district the  
24 legislator is elected to represent and who is not registered to  
25 vote outside of that district.

26 (iii) An individual other than an individual described in  
27 subparagraph (i) or (ii) if the individual intended that the  
28 communication be with the legislator elected to represent the  
29 district where he or she is registered to vote or, if not



1 registered to vote, resides.

2 (d) Communications and notes within a public body or between  
3 public bodies of an advisory nature to the extent that they cover  
4 other than purely factual materials and are preliminary to a final  
5 determination of policy or action. This exemption does not apply if  
6 in the particular instance the public interest in disclosure  
7 clearly outweighs the public interest in encouraging frank  
8 communications. For purposes of this subdivision, "public body"  
9 includes a public body as defined in part 1.

10 (e) Records or information pertaining to an ongoing internal  
11 or legislative investigation.

12 (f) Trade secrets or commercial or financial records or  
13 information voluntarily provided in confidence for use in  
14 developing governmental policy.

15 (g) Records or information subject to the attorney-client  
16 privilege or any other privilege recognized by the constitution,  
17 statute, or court rule.

18 (h) Records or information relating to a civil action in which  
19 the public body is a party until such litigation or claim has been  
20 finally adjudicated or otherwise settled.

21 (i) Records or information specifically described and exempted  
22 from disclosure by statute and including the records and  
23 information subject to confidentiality requirements in sections  
24 109, 501, and 601 of the legislative council act, 1986 PA 268, MCL  
25 4.1109, 4.1501, and 4.1601, in section 9 of 2016 PA 198, MCL 4.779,  
26 and in section 9 of 1975 PA 46, MCL 4.359.

27 (j) A public record or information described in this section,  
28 that is furnished by the public body originally compiling,  
29 preparing, or receiving the record or information to a public



1 officer or public body in connection with the performance of the  
2 duties of that public officer or public body, if the considerations  
3 originally giving rise to the exempt nature of the public record  
4 remain applicable.

5 (k) Records of the office of sergeant at arms.

6 (l) Records of a public body's security measures, including  
7 security plans, capabilities, procedures, measures, passwords,  
8 passes, keys, and codes and combinations.

9 (m) A bid, quote, or proposal submitted by a person to enter  
10 into a contract or agreement and records created in the preparation  
11 for and evaluation of the bid, quote, or proposal until the time of  
12 final notification of award of the contract or agreement.

13 (n) Records containing a trade secret as defined under section  
14 2 of the uniform trade secrets act, 1998 PA 448, MCL 445.1902, or  
15 financial or proprietary information submitted in connection with a  
16 bid, quote, or proposal to enter into a contract or agreement.

17 (o) Records that would do any of the following if disclosed:

18 (i) Interfere with law enforcement proceedings.

19 (ii) Deprive a person of the right to a fair trial or impartial  
20 administrative adjudication.

21 (iii) Disclose the identity of a confidential source or  
22 information furnished by a confidential source in the course of a  
23 legislative investigation.

24 (iv) Endanger the life or physical safety of any individual.

25 (v) Prejudice a public body's ability to maintain the security  
26 or integrity of its properties or information technology systems.

27 (p) Records created, prepared, owned, used, in the possession  
28 of, or retained by a public body prior to January 1, 2020.

29 (q) Records created, prepared, owned, used, in the possession



1 of, or retained by the majority or minority caucuses of each house  
2 of the legislature.

3 (r) The cell phone number of a public body.

4 (2) This part does not authorize the exemption from disclosure  
5 of any salary record of an employee or official of a public body.

6 (3) This part does not authorize the exemption from disclosure  
7 of a record otherwise required by law to be made available to the  
8 public.

9 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January  
10 1, 2020.

11 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect  
12 unless House Bill No. 4011 of the 100th Legislature is enacted into  
13 law.

