

Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: HB 2051 Only impacts on Original or Engrossed Versions are Considered Official

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SUMMARY

Prohibits disclosure, pursuant to public records request, of contents of reports made through Department of State Police statewide tip line. Authorizes disclosure to tip line staff, service providers, law enforcement and specified education persons for purpose of follow-up contact to provide or obtain further information. Provides that further information may be disclosed only to persons authorized to receive tip line information.

Permits department to disclose aggregated or summary tip line information for reporting and public education purposes.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure prohibits the disclosure of information received by the Department of State Police to their student safety tip line, information received while investigating tips received by the tip line and outcomes or actions taken in response to a tip received.

If the public records were instead subject to mandatory disclosure under public records law, the public could receive more information relating to threats to students, but the public may be less forthcoming in providing tips and in providing information relating to a tip received.