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Introduced by Representatives Martin of Springfield and Emmons of

Springfield

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Public records; confidentiality; pension records

Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to exempt from public inspection and copying pension records of an appointed state official or a state employee upon the effective date of the retirement of the state official or state employee.

An act relating to the confidentiality of pension records of a retired state employee

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 1 V.S.A. § 317 is amended to read:

§ 317. DEFINITIONS; PUBLIC AGENCY; PUBLIC RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS

(a) As used in this subchapter:

(1) “Business day” means a day that a public agency is open to provide services.

(2) “Public agency” or “agency” means any agency, board, department, commission, committee, branch, instrumentality, or authority of the state or

1 any agency, board, committee, department, branch, instrumentality,
2 commission, or authority of any political subdivision of the state.

3 (b) As used in this subchapter, “public record” or “public document” means
4 any written or recorded information, regardless of physical form or
5 characteristics, which is produced or acquired in the course of public agency
6 business. Individual salaries and benefits of and salary schedules relating to
7 elected or appointed officials and employees of public agencies shall not be
8 exempt from public inspection and copying, except as set forth in subdivision
9 (c)(41) of this section.

10 (c) The following public records are exempt from public inspection and
11 copying:

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13 (40) ~~Records~~ records of genealogy provided in support of an application
14 for tribal recognition pursuant to chapter 23 of this title;

15 (41) pension records of an appointed state official or a state employee
16 upon the effective date of the retirement of the state official or state employee.

17 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

18 This act shall take effect on passage.