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House Bill No. 4020
(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Kiss, and Delegate Trump)
[By Request of the Executive]

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AN ACT to amend the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto two new sections, designated §5A-8-21 and §5A-8-22, all relating to limiting disclosure of personal information maintained by the legislative, judicial or executive agencies of the state of West Virginia relating to state employees due to their state employment and creating lesser restrictions on information maintained by executive branch agencies on citizens generally.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto two new sections, designated §5A-8-21 and §5A-8-22, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 8. PUBLIC RECORDS MANAGEMENT AND PRESERVATION.

§5A-8-21. Limitation on release of certain personal information maintained by state agencies and entities regarding state employees.
(a) The following personal information maintained by executive, legislative or judicial branch agencies of the state of West Virginia regarding persons in their capacity as state officers, employees, retirees or the legal dependents thereof is hereby deemed to be confidential and exempt from disclosure to non-governmental entities in documents otherwise subject to disclosure under the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-b of this code:

(1) An individual’s home address;

(2) An individual’s social security number;

(3) An individual’s credit or debit card numbers;

(4) An individual’s driver’s license identification number;

and

(5) An individual’s marital status or maiden name.

(b) It is the policy of the state of West Virginia that the information enumerated in subsection (a) of this section is personal and confidential and should only be released to non-governmental entities for such purposes as are authorized by federal law or regulation, a provision of this code or a legislative rule promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code.

§5A-8-22. Personal information maintained by state entities.

(a) The following information maintained by state executive branch agencies with respect to individuals and their dependents, is personal information, exempted from disclosure under the provisions of article one, chapter twenty nine-b of this code, and may not be released to non-governmental entities:
(1) An individual’s social security number; or

(2) An individual’s credit or debit card number.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the information enumerated in said subsection may be released for such purposes as are authorized by federal law or regulation, a provision of this code or a legislative rule promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code.
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That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 23rd day of February, 2004.

Governor