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Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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The bill exempts certain records from disclosure under the Public Records Law, including: (1) the work schedules of designated public service workers, (2) redaction request forms, and (3) certain records managed by a county auditor for a designated public service worker or the spouse of such a worker. Also under the bill, a former designated public service worker may request that a public office redact the former worker's address from any record made available to the general public on the internet.

Any fiscal effects these changes in the Public Records Law will have on public entities are likely to be small. On the one hand, these exemptions could lead to some small savings in administrative time for public entities when fulfilling public records requests and managing employment records of designated public service workers because the applicable information would not need to be collected and reported. On the other hand, allowing former public service workers to request that certain identifying information be redacted and protected from disclosure on the internet could cause some negligible increase in staff time. At any rate, there are likely to be few requests to redact this information, nothing that could not be handled by existing staff using available resources.