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Committee Substitute

for

House Bill 4505

(BY DELEGATE SKINNER (BY REQUEST))

[Passed March 7, 2016; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §29-22-15a; and to amend and reenact §29B-1-4 of said code, all relating to allowing powerball, mega millions and hot lotto ticket winners to remain anonymous; providing procedures by which such winners can request anonymity; and providing for an exemption under the Freedom of Information Act for powerball, mega millions and hot lotto ticket winner information.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §29-22-15a; and that §29B-1-4 of said code be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

CHAPTER 29. MISCELLANEOUS BOARDS AND OFFICERS.

ARTICLE 22. STATE LOTTERY ACT.

§29-22-15a. Option for winners of powerball to remain anonymous.

If the person entitled to collect proceeds from a winning powerball, mega millions, and hot lotto ticket desires to remain anonymous, he or she shall contact the State Lottery Director in writing, concerning their desire to remain anonymous along with contact information for that person, including any personal telephone number, residential address or electronic mail address. Any request may be by certified mail addressed to the West Virginia State Lottery Director, P.O. Box 2067, Charleston, West Virginia 25327 or by electronic mail to mail@wvlottery.com. Upon receiving a request in writing, the director shall contact the person requesting anonymity and schedule an appointment to meet at any county, regional or state lottery office to confirm the winning number and to otherwise secure the anonymity of the requesting person.

CHAPTER 29B. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION.

ARTICLE 1. PUBLIC RECORDS.

§29B-1-4. Exemptions.

- (a) There is a presumption of public accessibility to all public records, subject only to the following categories of information which are specifically exempt from disclosure under the provisions of this article:
- (1) Trade secrets, as used in this section, which may include, but are not limited to, any formula, plan pattern, process, tool, mechanism, compound, procedure, production data or compilation of information which is not patented which is known only to certain individuals within a commercial concern who are using it to fabricate, produce or compound an article or trade or a service or to locate minerals or other substances, having commercial value, and which gives its users an opportunity to obtain business advantage over competitors;
- (2) Information of a personal nature such as that kept in a personal, medical or similar file, if the public disclosure of the information would constitute an unreasonable invasion of privacy, unless the public interest by clear and convincing evidence requires disclosure in this particular instance: *Provided*, That this article does not preclude an individual from inspecting or copying his or her own personal, medical or similar file;
- (3) Test questions, scoring keys and other examination data used to administer a licensing examination, examination for employment or academic examination;
- (4) Records of law-enforcement agencies that deal with the detection and investigation of crime and the internal records and notations of such law-enforcement agencies which are maintained for internal use in matters relating to law enforcement;
 - (5) Information specifically exempted from disclosure by statute;
- (6) Records, archives, documents or manuscripts describing the location of undeveloped historic, prehistoric, archaeological, paleontological and battlefield sites or constituting gifts to any public body upon which the donor has attached restrictions on usage or the handling of which could irreparably damage the record, archive, document or manuscript;
- (7) Information contained in or related to examination, operating or condition reports prepared by, or on behalf of, or for the use of any agency responsible for the regulation or

supervision of financial institutions, except those reports which are by law required to be published in newspapers;

- (8) Internal memoranda or letters received or prepared by any public body;
- (9) Records assembled, prepared or maintained to prevent, mitigate or respond to terrorist acts or the threat of terrorist acts, the public disclosure of which threaten the public safety or the public health;
- (10) Those portions of records containing specific or unique vulnerability assessments or specific or unique response plans, data, databases and inventories of goods or materials collected or assembled to respond to terrorist acts; and communication codes or deployment plans of law enforcement or emergency response personnel;
- (11) Specific intelligence information and specific investigative records dealing with terrorist acts or the threat of a terrorist act shared by and between federal and international law-enforcement agencies, state and local law enforcement and other agencies within the Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety;
- (12) National security records classified under federal executive order and not subject to public disclosure under federal law that are shared by federal agencies and other records related to national security briefings to assist state and local government with domestic preparedness for acts of terrorism;
- (13) Computing, telecommunications and network security records, passwords, security codes or programs used to respond to or plan against acts of terrorism which may be the subject of a terrorist act;
- (14) Security or disaster recovery plans, risk assessments, tests or the results of those tests;
- (15) Architectural or infrastructure designs, maps or other records that show the location or layout of the facilities where computing, telecommunications or network infrastructure used to plan against or respond to terrorism are located or planned to be located;

- 53 (16) Codes for facility security systems; or codes for secure applications for facilities 54 referred to in subdivision (15) of this subsection;
 - (17) Specific engineering plans and descriptions of existing public utility plants and equipment;
 - (18) Customer proprietary network information of other telecommunications carriers, equipment manufacturers and individual customers, consistent with 47 U.S.C. §222; and
 - (19) Records of the Division of Corrections, Regional Jail and Correctional Facility Authority and the Division of Juvenile Services relating to design of corrections, jail and detention facilities owned or operated by the agency, and the policy directives and operational procedures of personnel relating to the safe and secure management of inmates or residents, that if released, could be used by an inmate or resident to escape a facility, or to cause injury to another inmate, resident or to facility personnel.
 - (20) Information related to applications under section four, article seven, chapter sixty-one of this code, including applications, supporting documents, permits, renewals, or any other information that would identify an applicant for or holder of a concealed weapon permit: *Provided*, That information in the aggregate that does not identify any permit holder other than by county or municipality is not exempted: *Provided, however*, That information or other records exempted under this subdivision may be disclosed to a law-enforcement agency or officer: (i) To determine the validity of a permit; (ii) to assist in a criminal investigation or prosecution; or (iii) for other lawful law enforcement purposes.
 - (21) Information provided by a person when he or she elects to avail themselves of the provisions of section fifteen-a, article twenty-two, chapter twenty-nine of this code.
 - (b) As used in subdivisions (9) through (16), inclusive, subsection (a) of this section, the term "terrorist act" means an act that is likely to result in serious bodily injury or damage to property or the environment and is intended to:
 - (1) Intimidate or coerce the civilian population;

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- 79 (2) Influence the policy of a branch or level of government by intimidation or coercion;
 - (3) Affect the conduct of a branch or level of government by intimidation or coercion; or
 - (4) Retaliate against a branch or level of government for a policy or conduct of the government.
 - (c) The provisions of subdivisions (9) through (16), inclusive, subsection (a) of this section do not make subject to the provisions of this chapter any evidence of an immediate threat to public health or safety unrelated to a terrorist act or the threat of a terrorist act which comes to the attention of a public entity in the course of conducting a vulnerability assessment response or similar activity.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
Chairman, House Committee
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Originating in the House.
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Clerk of the House of Delegates
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Speaker of the House of Delegates
President of the Senate
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day of, 2016.
Governor