

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 SB2523

Introduced 1/28/2020, by Sen. Linda Holmes

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

75 ILCS 70/1

from Ch. 81, par. 1201

Amends the Library Records Confidentiality Act. Provides that information that a library may not publish or make public include a patron's personal identifiable information. Defines "personal identifiable information". Provides that a privacy violation or breach of confidentiality will not have occurred if a library publishes or makes public personal identifiable information with the documented consent of the patron.

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Library Records Confidentiality Act is amended by changing Section 1 as follows:
- 6 (75 ILCS 70/1) (from Ch. 81, par. 1201)
 - Sec. 1. (a) The registration and circulation records of a library are confidential information. No person shall publish or make any information, including, but not limited to, a patron's personal identifiable information, contained in such records available to the public unless:
 - (1) required to do so under a court order; or
 - enforcement officer who represents that it is impractical to secure a court order as a result of an emergency where the law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that there is an imminent danger of physical harm. The information requested must be limited to identifying a suspect, witness, or victim of a crime. The information requested without a court order may not include the disclosure of registration or circulation records that would indicate materials borrowed, resources reviewed, or services used at the library. If requested to do so by the

library, the requesting law enforcement officer must sign a form acknowledging the receipt of the information. A

library providing the information may seek subsequent

judicial review to assess compliance with this Section.

This subsection shall not alter any right to challenge the use or dissemination of patron information that is otherwise permitted by law.

- (b) This Section does not prevent a library from publishing or making available to the public reasonable statistical reports regarding library registration and book circulation where those reports are presented so that no individual is identified therein.
- (b-5) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as a privacy violation or a breach of confidentiality if a library: provides information to a law enforcement officer under item (2) of subsection (a); or publishes or makes public personal identifiable information with the documented consent of the patron.
- (c) For the purpose of this Section, (i) "library" means any public library or library of an educational, historical or eleemosynary institution, organization or society; (ii) "registration records" includes any information a library requires a person to provide in order for that person to become eligible to borrow books and other materials; and (iii) "circulation records" includes all information identifying the individual borrowing particular books or materials; and (iv)

- 1 "personal identifiable information" means one or more of the
- 2 <u>following: a patron's complete last and first name, address,</u>
- 3 <u>internet protocol address, social security number, complete</u>
- 4 telephone number, or email address that directly identifies an
- 5 individual.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 95-40, eff. 1-1-08.)