

## **SENATE BILL 29: DOB Redaction Requests For Public Documents**

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SUMMARY: The Proposed Committee Substitute to Senate Bill 29 would amend a subsection of the public records law that permits the redaction of specified personal identifying information from certain records filed, recorded, or maintained by a State or local government agency in order to provide for the protection of personal information that might lead to identity theft.

**CURRENT LAW:** G.S. 132-1.10(f) permits a person to ask a register of deeds or clerk of court to redact specified identifying information from any publicly available Internet Web site, lists the information that may be redacted, and outlines the process for making the request.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** The PCS to Senate Bill 29 would make organizational and technical changes to G.S. 132-1.10(f). It would also require the register of deeds or clerk of court to comply with the request for redaction of the listed information in the manner described in subsection (f), and give the register of deeds the authority to comply with a request for redaction of all or a portion of the requestor's date of birth from any land records.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act is effective when it becomes law.

**BACKGROUND:** G.S. 132-1.10 was originally enacted as part of the Identity Theft Protection Act of 2005 to provide for the protection of personal and credit information that might lead to identity theft, by requiring State and local agencies to protect social security numbers and other personal identifying information.

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