

HB 1970 -- Exceptions to the Open Meetings and Records Law

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Currently, the provision that allows a public governmental body to close the meetings, records, and votes that relate to the operational guidelines and policies developed, adopted, or maintained by any public agency responsible for law enforcement, public safety, first response, or public health for use in responding to or preventing any critical incident which is or appears to be terrorist in nature and which has the potential to endanger individual or public safety or health expires on December 31, 2012. This bill extends the expiration date to December 31, 2016.

Currently, the provision that allows a public governmental body to close the meetings, records, and votes that relate to existing or proposed security systems and structural plans of real property owned or leased by a public governmental body and information that is voluntarily submitted by a nonpublic entity owning or operating an infrastructure to any public governmental body for use by that body to devise plans for protection of that infrastructure, the public disclosure of which would threaten public safety, expires on December 31, 2012. The bill extends the expiration date to December 31, 2016.