SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2328

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE FRANZ.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 210.498, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to access to foster home licensing records.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 210.498, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 210.498, to read as follows:

210.498. Any parent or legal guardian may have access to investigation records kept by the division regarding a decision for the denial of or the suspension or revocation of a license to 2 a specific person to operate or maintain a foster home if such specific person does or may provide services or care to a child of the person requesting the information. The request for the release of such information shall be made to the division director or the director's designee, in writing, by the parent or legal guardian of the child and shall be accompanied with a signed and notarized release form from the person who does or may provide care or services to the child. 7 The notarized release form shall include the full name, date of birth and Social Security number of the person who does or may provide care or services to a child. The response shall include 10 only information pertaining to the nature and disposition of any denial, suspension or revocation of a license to operate a foster home. This response shall not include any identifying information 11 12 regarding any person other than the person to whom a foster home license was denied, suspended 13 or revoked. The response shall be given within ten working days of the time it was received by 14 the division. Except as provided in this section, records related to the licensure of a foster 15 or adoptive home shall be considered closed, and not subject to the provisions of chapter 16 610.

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