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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to a review under the Open Government
 3 Sunset Review Act regarding the Florida Putative Father
 4 Registry; reenacting s. 63.0541, F.S., which provides a
 5 public record exemption for all information contained in
 6 the Florida Putative Father Registry; adding an exception
 7 to the exemption for a birth mother identified in a
 8 registry entry; removing superfluous language; repealing
 9 s. 2 of Chapter 2003-56, Laws of Florida, which provides
 10 for repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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 12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 14 Section 1. Section 63.0541, Florida Statutes, is amended
 15 to read:

16 63.0541 Public records exemption for the Florida Putative
 17 Father Registry.--

18 (1) All information contained in the Florida Putative
 19 Father Registry ~~and maintained by the Office of Vital Statistics~~
 20 ~~within the Department of Health~~ is confidential and exempt from
 21 ~~public disclosure pursuant to s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I~~
 22 of the State Constitution, ~~except as otherwise provided in this~~
 23 ~~section.~~

24 (2) Information made confidential and exempt by this
 25 section shall be disclosed to:

26 (a) An adoption entity, upon the filing of a request for a
 27 diligent search of the Florida Putative Father Registry in
 28 connection with the planned adoption of a child.

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29 (b) The registrant unmarried biological father, upon
 30 receipt of a notarized request for a copy of his registry entry
 31 only.

32 (c) The birth mother, upon receipt of a notarized request
 33 for a copy of any registry entry in which she is identified as
 34 the birth mother.

35 (d) The court, upon issuance of a court order concerning a
 36 petitioner acting pro se in an action under this chapter.

37 ~~(3)(2) Except as set forth in subsection (1),~~ The database
 38 comprising the Florida Putative Father Registry shall remain
 39 ~~confidential and exempt and~~ separate from all other databases ~~in~~
 40 ~~this state, including any local or federal database. Such~~
 41 ~~database may not be accessed by any other state or federal~~
 42 ~~agency or entity.~~

43 Section 2. Section 2. of Chapter 2003-56, Laws of Florida,
 44 is repealed.

45 Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2008.