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AN ACT relating to public records; making certain records of local governmental entities containing personally identifying information confidential if such information was provided to the local governmental entity in relation to the use of recreational facilities of the local governmental entity or participation in instructional or recreational activities of the local governmental entity; requiring the disclosure of such information for certain purposes; prohibiting a local governmental entity from requiring a social security number to be provided for certain purposes; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires certain books and records of a governmental entity to be open for public inspection. (NRS 239.010) Books and records of a governmental entity are not required to be open for public inspection if they are deemed by statute to be confidential or if the governmental entity determines pursuant to a balancing test that disclosure is not required. (*Donrey v. Bradshaw*, 106 Nev. 630 (1990))

This bill makes the records of a local governmental entity confidential if the records contain the address, telephone number or other personally identifying information of a natural person who provided the information to the local governmental entity to: (1) register or apply to use a recreational facility of the local governmental entity that is available by reservation; or (2) register or enroll himself or his child in instructional or recreational activities or events conducted, operated or sponsored by the local governmental entity. This bill, however, requires a local governmental entity to disclose certain information pursuant to a lawfully issued subpoena or court order, pursuant to affidavits of attorneys relating to investigations in anticipation of litigation, and pursuant to requests from certain reporters and editorial employees. This bill also expressly prohibits a local governmental entity from requiring the social security number of a natural person from being included in any information submitted to the local governmental entity for certain purposes.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 239 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. Records of a local governmental entity are confidential and not public books or records within the meaning of NRS 239.010 if:

(a) The records contain the name, address, telephone number or other identifying information of a natural person; and

(b) The natural person whose name, address, telephone number or other identifying information is contained in the records provided such information to the local governmental entity for the purpose of:

(1) Registering with or applying to the local governmental entity for the use of any recreational facility or portion thereof that the local governmental entity offers for use through the acceptance of reservations; or

(2) On his own behalf or on behalf of a minor child, registering or enrolling with or applying to the local governmental entity for participation in an instructional or recreational activity or event conducted, operated or sponsored by the local governmental entity.

2. The records described in subsection 1 must be disclosed by a local governmental entity only pursuant to:

(a) A subpoena or court order, lawfully issued, requiring the disclosure of such records;

(b) An affidavit of an attorney setting forth that the disclosure of such records is relevant to an investigation in anticipation of litigation; or

(c) A request by a reporter or editorial employee for the disclosure of such records, if the reporter or editorial employee is employed by or affiliated with a newspaper, press association or commercially operated, federally licensed radio or television station.

3. Except as otherwise provided by specific statute or federal law, a natural person shall not provide, and a local governmental entity shall not require, the social security number of any natural person for the purposes described in subparagraphs (1) and (2) of paragraph (b) of subsection 1.

4. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, "local governmental entity" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 239.121.