

HOUSE BILL No. 2700

By Representative Esau

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1 AN ACT concerning public records; regarding disclosure of personal
2 information; social security numbers; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 75-
3 3520 and repealing the existing section.

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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 75-3520 is hereby amended to read as
7 follows: 75-3520. (a) (1) Unless required by federal law, no document
8 available for public inspection or copying shall contain an individual's
9 social security number if such document contains such individual's
10 personal information. "Personal information" shall include, but not be
11 limited to, name, address, phone number or e-mail address.

12 (2) The provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply
13 to documents recorded in the official records of any recorder of deeds of
14 the county or to any documents filed in the official records of the court and
15 shall be included, but not limited to, such documents of any records that
16 when filed constitutes:

- 17 ~~(1)~~(A) A consensual or nonconsensual lien;
18 ~~(2)~~(B) an eviction record;
19 ~~(3)~~(C) a judgment;
20 ~~(4)~~(D) a conviction or arrest;
21 ~~(5)~~(E) a bankruptcy;
22 ~~(6)~~(F) a secretary of state filing; or
23 ~~(7)~~(G) a professional license.

24 (3) *Any document or record that contains all or any portion of an*
25 *individual's social security number shall have all portions of all social*
26 *security numbers redacted before the document or record is made*
27 *available for public inspection or copying.*

28 (b) (1) No person, including an individual, firm, corporation,
29 association, partnership, joint venture or other business entity, or any
30 employee or agent therefor, shall solicit, require or use for commercial
31 purposes an individual's social security number unless such number is
32 necessary for such person's normal course of business and there is a
33 specific use for such number for which no other identifying number may
34 be used.

35 (2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to documents or
36 records that are recorded or required to be open to the public pursuant to

1 state or federal law, or by court rule or order, and this paragraph does not
2 limit access to these documents or records.

3 (3) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to the collection,
4 use or release of social security numbers for the following purposes:

5 (A) Mailing of documents that include social security numbers sent
6 as part of an application or enrollment process or to establish, amend or
7 terminate an account, contract or policy or to confirm the accuracy of the
8 social security number;

9 (B) internal verification or administrative purposes;

10 (C) investigate or prevent fraud, conduct background checks, conduct
11 social or scientific research, collect a debt, obtain a credit report from or
12 furnish data to a consumer reporting agency pursuant to the fair credit
13 reporting act, 15 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq., undertake a permissible purpose
14 enumerated under the Gramm-Leach Bliley Act, 15 U.S.C. § 6802 (e), or
15 locate an individual who is missing, a lost relative, or due a benefit, such
16 as pension, insurance or unclaimed property benefit; or

17 (D) otherwise required by state or federal law or regulation.

18 (c) An individual who is aggrieved by a violation of this section may
19 recover a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000 for each violation.

20 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 75-3520 is hereby repealed.

21 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
22 publication in the statute book.