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**STATE OF MAINE**  
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has obtained the consent of the individual to whom the personally identifiable information applies. The law also provides that, notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 95-C, this personally identifiable information remains confidential until the relevant records have been in existence for 100 years.

### **LD 1827 An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Right to Know Advisory Committee Concerning Public Records Requests**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

By law, a public body, agency or official may deny a request for inspection or copying of a public record on the basis that the request is unduly burdensome or oppressive by filing an action for an order of protection in the Superior Court for the county where the request was made within 60 days of the date of the request.

Public Law 2025, chapter 175 additionally permits a public body, agency or official to deny a series of public records requests on the basis that the series of requests is unduly burdensome or oppressive by filing an action for protection in Superior Court within 60 days of the point at which a body, agency or official determines that the series of requests is unduly burdensome or oppressive.

### **LD 1828 An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Right to Know Advisory Committee Concerning Public Records Exceptions**

#### **ENACTED LAW SUMMARY**

Public Law 2025, chapter 111 implements statutory changes recommended by the Right to Know Advisory Committee following its review of certain existing public records exceptions in the Maine Revised Statutes, Titles 25, 26, 27, 30-A, 31 and 32.

1. It amends the public records exceptions in Title 30-A related to applicants for county and municipal jobs to clarify that personal contact information of applicants is confidential.
2. It amends an existing public records exception in Title 32 to clarify that information included in Board of Nursing consent agreements or other written settlements that identifies or could reasonably lead to identification of a patient is confidential.
3. It amends an existing public records exception in Title 32 to clarify that email addresses of applicants to or licensees of the Board of Licensure in Medicine are confidential, and that the personal residence address and telephone number of the applicant or licensee are not confidential if this information is provided as the public contact.
4. It makes other amendments to the language of existing public records exceptions in these titles to better conform with current drafting standards.

#### ENACTED LAW SUMMARIES

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