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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the request for redaction of personally
2 identifiable information from electronic documents displayed
3 for public access by county assessors and county recorders.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 331.604, subsection 3, paragraph g,
2 subparagraph (1), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) Upon request by a peace officer, as defined in section
4 801.4, civilian employee of a law enforcement agency, or state
5 or federal judicial officer or state or federal prosecutor,
6 United States senator, representative to Congress, statewide
7 elected official, or member of the general assembly, the county
8 assessor or the county assessor's staff, or the county recorder
9 or the county recorder's staff, shall redact the requestor's name
10 contained in electronic documents that are displayed for public
11 access through an internet site.

12 Sec. 2. Section 331.604, subsection 3, paragraph g,
13 subparagraph (3), Code 2026, is amended by striking the
14 subparagraph.

15 Sec. 3. SECRETARY OF STATE RECOMMENDATIONS. By November 1,
16 2026, the secretary of state shall submit recommendations to the
17 general assembly on how to protect information containing the
18 personal residence of those seeking election while at the same
19 time verifying the candidate's place of residence for the purpose
20 of meeting any applicable residency requirement.

21 EXPLANATION

22 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
23 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

24 Under current law, a peace officer, a civilian employee of a
25 law enforcement agency, a state or federal judicial officer, or
26 state or federal prosecutor may request their name be redacted
27 from documents made public by the county assessor or county
28 recorder. This bill adds United States senators, representatives
29 to Congress, statewide elected officials, and members of the
30 general assembly to this list of people.

31 The bill requires the secretary of the state to submit
32 recommendations to the general assembly on how to protect
33 information containing the personal residence of those seeking
34 election while at the same time verifying the candidate's place
35 of residences for the purpose of meeting any applicable residency

1 requirement. The recommendations are to be submitted before
2 November 1, 2026.

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