

**House File 2255 - Introduced**

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BY COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2061)

**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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