

**House File 839 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

- 1 An Act relating to the publication of candidates' and elected
- 2 officers' home addresses.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

unofficial

1 Section 1. Section 43.18, Code 2025, is amended by adding the  
2 following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 10. A statement that the candidate is aware  
4 that if the candidate is elected to the general assembly, a  
5 county board of supervisors, or a city council, the candidate may  
6 request the candidate's home address be excluded from official  
7 publications pursuant to section 70A.40.

8 Sec. 2. Section 43.22, Code 2025, is amended to read as  
9 follows:

10 **43.22 Nominations certified — publication of home address**  
11 **prohibited.**

12 1. The state commissioner shall, at least sixty-nine days  
13 before a primary election, or as soon as practicable if  
14 an objection under section 43.24 is pending, furnish to the  
15 commissioner of each county a certificate under the state  
16 commissioner's hand and seal, which certificate shall show:

17 1- a. The name and post office address of each person  
18 for whom a nomination paper has been filed in the state  
19 commissioner's office, and for whom the voters of said county  
20 have the right to vote at said election.

21 2- b. The office for which such person is a candidate.

22 3- c. The political party from which such person seeks a  
23 nomination.

24 2. The state commissioner shall not publish the home address  
25 of a candidate in any associated publicly available publication.

26 Sec. 3. Section 43.67, subsection 2, Code 2025, is amended by  
27 adding the following new paragraph:

28 NEW PARAGRAPH. j. A statement that the candidate is aware  
29 that if the candidate is elected to the general assembly, a  
30 county board of supervisors, or a city council, the candidate may  
31 request the candidate's home address be excluded from official  
32 publications pursuant to section 70A.40.

33 Sec. 4. Section 44.3, subsection 2, Code 2025, is amended by  
34 adding the following new paragraph:

35 NEW PARAGRAPH. j. A statement that the candidate is aware

1 that if the candidate is elected to the general assembly, a  
2 county board of supervisors, or a city council, the candidate may  
3 request the candidate's home address be excluded from official  
4 publications pursuant to section 70A.40.

5 Sec. 5. Section 45.3, Code 2025, is amended by adding the  
6 following new subsection:

7 NEW SUBSECTION. 10. A statement that the candidate is aware  
8 that if the candidate is elected to the general assembly, a  
9 county board of supervisors, or a city council, the candidate may  
10 request the candidate's home address be excluded from official  
11 publications pursuant to section 70A.40.

12 Sec. 6. Section 70A.40, Code 2025, is amended by adding the  
13 following new subsection:

14 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. Upon an elective public officer's  
15 request, the governmental entity the officer serves shall exclude  
16 the officer's home address from all official publications.

17 **EXPLANATION**

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

20 This bill provides that upon the request of a member of the  
21 general assembly, a county board of supervisors, a city council,  
22 or a board of directors of a school district, the governmental  
23 entity the individual serves must exclude the individual's home  
24 address from official publications.

25 The bill requires that an affidavit of candidacy for a  
26 partisan nomination, a nomination by a nonparty political  
27 organization, or a nomination by petition include a statement  
28 that the candidate is aware of the contents of Code section  
29 70A.40, and prohibits the state commissioner of elections from  
30 publishing the home address of a candidate in any publicly  
31 available publication associated with the certification of  
32 nominations.