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8 SYNOPSIS: Currently, the State Ethics Commission is
9 not required to redact certain information included
10 on a statement of economic interest filed by a
11 public official or public employee.

12 This bill would require the State Ethics
13 Commission to redact certain information included
14 on a statement of economic interest filed by a
15 public official or public employee.

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17 A BILL
18 TO BE ENTITLED
19 AN ACT

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21 To amend Section 36-25-4.3, as amended by Act
22 2013-172, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to the State Ethics
23 Commission electronic database; to require the State Ethics
24 Commission to redact certain information included on a
25 statement of economic interest filed by a public official or
26 public employee.

27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1 Section 1. Section 36-25-4.3, as amended by Act
2 2013-172, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 "§36-25-4.3.

4 "(a) The commission, by April 1, 2012, shall
5 implement and maintain each of the following:

6 "(1) A system for electronic filing of all
7 statements, reports, registrations, and notices required by
8 this chapter.

9 "(2) An electronic database accessible to the public
10 through an Internet website which provides at least the
11 following capabilities:

12 "a. Search and retrieval of all statements, reports,
13 and other filings required by this chapter, excluding
14 complaints made confidential by Section 36-25-4(b), by the
15 name of the public official or public employee to which they
16 pertain.

17 "b. Generation of an aggregate list of all things of
18 value provided to each public official or public employee and
19 family member of a public official or public employee as
20 reported pursuant to Section 36-25-19, searchable and
21 retrievable by the name of the public official or public
22 employee.

23 "(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the commission
24 shall exclude from any electronic database accessible to the
25 public, identifying information, as defined in Section
26 41-13-7, that is included in any statement of economic
27 interest filed by any public official or public employee.

1 "(c) The commission shall redact all identifying
2 information on any electronic database accessible to the
3 public, as defined in Section 41-13-7, that is included in any
4 statement of economic interest filed by a public official or
5 public employee and was in the database on August 1, 2013."

6 Section 2. This act shall become effective
7 immediately following its passage and approval by the
8 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.