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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the dissemination of juvenile justice information by

3 the Texas Juvenile Justice Department.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Sections 58.009(c) and (f-1), Family Code, are

6 amended to read as follows:

7 (c) The Texas Juvenile Justice Department may grant access

8 to juvenile justice information[.

9 [(1)] for research and statistical purposes or for any

10 other purpose approved by the department to:

11 (1) [(A)] criminal justice agencies as defined by

12 Section 411.082, Government Code;

13 (2) [(B)] the Texas Education Agency, as authorized

14 under Section 37.084, Education Code;

15 (3) [(C)] any agency under the authority of the Health

16 and Human Services Commission; [or]

17 (4) [(D)] the Department of Family and Protective

18 Services; or

19 (5) a public or private university

20 [(2) for a purpose beneficial to and approved by the

21 department to an individual or entity that:

22 [(A) is working on a research or statistical

23 project that meets the requirements of and is approved by the

24 department; and

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1   [(B)   has a specific agreement with the department
2 that:
3   [(i)   specifically   authorizes   access   to
4 identifiable juvenile justice information;
5   [(ii)   limits the use of the information to
6 the purposes for which the information is given;
7   [(iii)   ensures   the   security   and
8 confidentiality of the information; and
9   [(iv)   provides   for   sanctions   if   a
10 requirement   imposed   under   Subparagraph   (i),   (ii),   or   (iii)   is
11 violated].

12   (f-1)   In accordance with Chapter 552, Government Code, the
13 Texas Juvenile Justice Department may grant access to juvenile
14 justice information that is not identifiable information for
15 research or statistical purposes or for any other purpose approved
16 by the department to:

17   (1)   criminal justice agencies as defined by Section
18 411.082, Government Code;

19   (2)   the Texas Education Agency, as authorized under
20 Section 37.084, Education Code;

21   (3)   any agency under the authority of the Health and
22 Human Services Commission;

23   (4)   the Department of Family and Protective Services;
24 or

25   (5)   a public or private university[, or

26   [(6)   an individual or entity working on a research or
27 statistical project].

1   SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.