

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, Texas law generally provides that all information gathered by a government body must be made available to the public upon request unless otherwise excepted. As proposed, S.B. 15 provides an exception to otherwise required public disclosure of records relating to the location, employees, volunteers, clients, and private donors of family violence shelter centers and sexual assault programs.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 552C, Government Code, by adding Section 552.133, as follows:

Sec. 552.133. EXCEPTION: FAMILY VIOLENCE SHELTER CENTER AND SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAM INFORMATION. Defines “family violence shelter center” and “sexual assault program.” Provides that information is excepted from the requirements of Section 552.021 if it relates to certain matters.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.