AN ACT

relating to the confidentiality of certain home address information
in ad valorem tax appraisal records.

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

SECTION 1. Section 25.025(a), Tax Code, is amended to read
as follows:

(a) This section applies only to:

(1) a current or former peace officer as defined by
Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure;

(2) a county jailer as defined by Section 1701.001,
Occupations Code;

(3) an employee of the Texas Department of Criminal
Justice;

(4) a commissioned security officer as defined by
Section 1702.002, Occupations Code;

(5) a victim of family violence as defined by Section
71.004, Family Code, if as a result of the act of family violence
against the victim, the actor is convicted of a felony or a Class A
misdemeanor;

(6) a federal judge, a state judge, or the spouse of a
federal judge or state judge;

(7) a current or former employee of a district
attorney, criminal district attorney, or county or municipal
attorney whose jurisdiction includes any criminal law or child
protective services matters;
(8) an officer or employee of a community supervision and corrections department established under Chapter 76, Government Code, who performs a duty described by Section 76.004(b) of that code;
(9) a criminal investigator of the United States as described by Article 2.122(a), Code of Criminal Procedure;
(10) a police officer or inspector of the United States Federal Protective Service;
(11) a current or former United States attorney or assistant United States attorney and the spouse and child of the attorney;
(12) a current or former employee of the office of the attorney general who is or was assigned to a division of that office the duties of which involve law enforcement;
(13) a medical examiner or person who performs forensic analysis or testing who is employed by this state or one or more political subdivisions of this state;
(14) a current or former member of the United States armed forces who has served in an area that the president of the United States by executive order designates for purposes of 26 U.S.C. Section 112 as an area in which armed forces of the United States are or have engaged in combat;
(15) a current or former employee of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department or of the predecessors in function of the department;
(16) a current or former juvenile probation or
supervision officer certified by the Texas Juvenile Justice Department, or the predecessors in function of the department, under Title 12, Human Resources Code; [and]

(17) a current or former employee of a juvenile justice program or facility, as those terms are defined by Section 261.405, Family Code; and

(18) a current or former employee of a federal judge or state judge.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.
S.B. No. 510

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 510 passed the Senate on April 3, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 510 passed the House on May 19, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

5-21-2017

Date

Governor
TO: Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB510 by Zaffirini (Relating to the confidentiality of certain home address information in ad valorem tax appraisal records.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

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2. the individual chooses to restrict public access to the information on the form prescribed for that purpose by the Comptroller.

The bill would not affect taxable property values, tax rates, collection rates, or any other variable which might affect the revenues of units of local governments or the state.

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