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3 By Representative Standridge  
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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.