

1.1 Liebling and Scott from the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law to which
1.2 was referred:

1.3 H. F. No. 2127, A bill for an act relating to data privacy; classifying judicial official real
1.4 property records as private data; limiting access to judicial official real property records;
1.5 providing criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.991; 480.40,
1.6 subdivision 3; 480.45, subdivision 2; 609.63, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law
1.7 in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 480.

1.8 Reported the same back with the following amendments:

1.9 Page 2, line 4, strike everything after "information" and insert "of all judicial officials
1.10 contained in real property records, as defined in section 480.50, subdivision 1, paragraph
1.11 (f)."

1.12 Page 2, lines 5 to 9, delete the new language and strike the old language

1.13 Page 2, after line 10, insert:

1.14 "Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 480.40, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.15 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section and section 480.45, the
1.16 following terms have the meanings given.

1.17 (b) "Judicial official" means:

1.18 (1) every Minnesota district court judge, senior judge, retired judge, and every judge of
1.19 the Minnesota Court of Appeals and every active, senior, recalled, or retired federal judge
1.20 who resides in Minnesota;

1.21 (2) a justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court;

1.22 (3) employees of the Minnesota judicial branch;

1.23 (4) judicial referees and magistrate judges; and

2.1 (5) current and retired judges and current employees of the Office of Administrative
2.2 Hearings, Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals, and Tax Court.

2.3 (c) "Personal information" does not include publicly available information. Personal
2.4 information means:

2.5 (1) a residential address of a judicial official;

2.6 (2) a residential address of the spouse, domestic partner, or children of a judicial official;

2.7 (3) a nonjudicial branch issued telephone number or email address of a judicial official;

2.8 (4) the name of any child of a judicial official; and

2.9 (5) the name of any child care facility or school that is attended by a child of a judicial
2.10 official if combined with an assertion that the named facility or school is attended by the
2.11 child of a judicial official.

2.12 (d) "Publicly available information" means information that is lawfully made available
2.13 through federal, state, or local government records or information that a business has a
2.14 reasonable basis to believe is lawfully made available to the general public through widely
2.15 distributed media, by a judicial official, or by a person to whom the judicial official has
2.16 disclosed the information, unless the judicial official has restricted the information to a
2.17 specific audience.

2.18 (e) "Law enforcement support organizations" do not include charitable organizations.

2.19 (f) "Real property records" has the meaning given in section 480.50, subdivision 1,
2.20 paragraph (f).

2.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026."

2.22 Page 2, line 12, before "Subdivision" insert "(a)" and strike "does" and insert "and section
2.23 480.50 do"

2.24 Page 3, line 19, after the semicolon, insert "and"

2.25 Page 3, line 21, strike "; and" and insert a period

2.26 Page 3, line 22, delete the new language and strike the old language

2.27 Page 3, after line 27, insert:

2.28 "(b) Subdivision 2 does not apply to:

2.29 (1) personal information of judicial officials collected, created, or maintained in real
2.30 property records; or

3.1 (2) the dissemination of personal information in real property records by a licensed
3.2 attorney or any employees in the office of the licensed attorney, when reasonably necessary
3.3 for the provision of legal services."

3.4 Page 4, line 8, delete "county recorder or other" and strike the colon and insert "real
3.5 property records, as defined in section 480.50, subdivision 1, paragraph (f)."

3.6 Page 4, strike lines 9 to 13

3.7 Page 4, line 22, after "(b)" insert ", except that it does not include employees of the
3.8 Minnesota judicial branch"

3.9 Page 5, lines 8 and 21, delete "an" and insert "the spouse, domestic partner, or"

3.10 Page 5, lines 9 and 22, before "adult" insert "spouse, domestic partner, or"

3.11 Page 5, line 11, before "child" insert "spouse, domestic partner, or adult"

3.12 Page 5, line 26, delete everything after "of the" and insert "individual submitting the
3.13 form;"

3.14 Page 5, delete line 27

3.15 Page 5, lines 28 and 29, delete "judicial official's" and insert "individual's"

3.16 Page 5, after line 29, insert:

3.17 "(4) the individual's telephone number and email;"

3.18 Renumber the clauses in sequence

3.19 Page 5, line 30, delete "judicial official" and insert "individual"

3.20 Page 5, line 31, after "description" insert ", parcel identification number,"

3.21 Page 6, line 1, delete "person" and insert "individual" and delete everything after "official"
3.22 and insert "or the spouse, domestic partner, or adult child of a judicial official"

3.23 Page 6, line 2, delete everything before "that" and delete "judicial official" and insert
3.24 "individual"

3.25 Page 6, line 3, delete "For judicial officials" and insert "A notice submitted by a judicial
3.26 official" and delete ", the notice"

3.27 Page 6, line 6, delete "For an" and insert "A notice submitted pursuant to this subdivision
3.28 by a spouse, domestic partner, or" and delete ", the"

4.1 Page 6, line 7, delete "notice" and delete "the adult child and the judicial official's" and
4.2 insert "a" and delete "they" and insert "the individual is the spouse, domestic partner, or
4.3 adult child of a judicial official."

4.4 Page 6, delete line 8 and insert:

4.5 "(d) Only one parcel of real property may be included in each notice, but a judicial
4.6 official may submit more than one notice. A government entity may require a judicial official
4.7 to provide additional information necessary to identify the records of the judicial official
4.8 or the real property described in the notice. An individual submitting a notice must submit
4.9 a new real property notice if their legal name changes."

4.10 Page 6, line 9, delete "a judicial official" and insert "an individual"

4.11 Page 6, line 10, delete "judicial" and insert "individual's"

4.12 Page 6, line 11, delete "official's"

4.13 Page 6, lines 13 and 14, delete "judicial official" and insert "individual"

4.14 Page 6, line 15, delete everything after "public" and insert a semicolon

4.15 Page 6, delete lines 16 and 17

4.16 Page 6, line 18, delete "sharing or" and after the second "to" insert "a"

4.17 Page 6, line 19, delete "or"

4.18 Page 6, line 20, delete "data" and insert "personal information" and delete "subject to
4.19 chapter 13"

4.20 Page 6, line 21, delete the period and insert a semicolon

4.21 Page 6, after line 21, insert:

4.22 "(4) the personal information is disseminated pursuant to subdivision 5; or

4.23 (5) the personal information is shared with the examiner of titles or deputy examiner as
4.24 necessary to perform their statutory duties under chapters 508 and 508A, including the
4.25 dissemination of personal information in Reports of Examiner."

4.26 Page 7, line 2, delete "indexed," and delete the comma and after "records" insert ", except
4.27 digitized or scanned images of tract pages and books," and delete "judicial official" and
4.28 insert "individual submitting the notice"

4.29 Page 7, line 3, before "document" insert "parcel identification number," and before "or"
4.30 insert a comma

- 5.1 Page 7, line 17, delete "or"
- 5.2 Page 7, after line 17, insert:
- 5.3 "(4) the judicial official is deceased and a copy of the death certificate has been filed
- 5.4 with the county recorder or other government entity to which a notice was given under
- 5.5 subdivision 3; or"
- 5.6 Renumber the clauses in sequence
- 5.7 Page 7, delete lines 22 to 24
- 5.8 Page 7, line 31, delete "Pursuant to subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (1) or (2),"
- 5.9 Page 8, line 1, after the second comma, insert "a licensed abstractor,"
- 5.10 Page 8, line 8, delete "on a form provided by the state," and insert "made on a"
- 5.11 Page 8, line 9, delete the comma and insert "form"
- 5.12 Page 8, line 12, before "purpose" insert "lawful"
- 5.13 Page 8, line 16, delete "disclosed" and insert "provided"
- 5.14 Page 8, line 17, after "subdivision" insert "or the lawful purposes set forth in the request
- 5.15 for disclosure form" and delete "disclosed" and insert "disseminated"
- 5.16 Page 8, line 19, delete "disclosure" and insert "dissemination"
- 5.17 Page 9, delete section 5
- 5.18 Renumber the sections in sequence
- 5.19 Amend the title as follows:
- 5.20 Page 1, line 3, delete everything after the second semicolon
- 5.21 Page 1, line 4, delete everything before "amending"
- 5.22 Correct the title numbers accordingly
- 5.23 With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be re-referred to the Committee
- 5.24 on Ways and Means.

5.25 This Committee action taken April 1, 2025

5.26, Co-Chair

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