

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3029**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act relating to the exemptions to the public records law..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 7(26)(s) of chapter 4 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

2 SECTION 2. Section 7(26)(g) of chapter 4 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006  
3 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out subclause (g) and replacing it with the  
4 following paragraph:

5 (g) trade secrets or commercial financial, or proprietary information provided upon a  
6 promise of confidentiality to a public entity for use in developing governmental policy or in  
7 furtherance of necessary governmental functions, the disclosure of which would compromise the  
8 entity’s performance of the public function;

9 SECTION 3. Section 1 of chapter 303 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
10 amended by striking after the word contract, in lines 98 and 99, the following language:-

11 “; provided, further, that for any such contract determined to contain confidential  
12 information under subclause (r) of section 7 of chapter 4, the governmental body shall instead

13 maintain a record of the procurement processes and awards for 6 years after the date of the final  
14 payment.”

15 and inserting in place thereof the following language:-

16 “; provided, further, that for any such contract determined to contain confidential  
17 information under subclause (g) of section 7 of chapter 4, the governmental body shall instead  
18 maintain a record of the procurement processes and awards for 6 years after the date of the final  
19 payment.”