BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute for HB2794 requires state agencies to treat the covered information of any current or retired judge as private when the agency receives a written request by the judge or the Administrator Director of the Court. Eligible judges may also make the same request to any private entity that has publicly posted the covered information on the Internet and may ask that the information of their immediate family members also be protected.

The measure also prohibits data broker from knowingly selling, licensing, trading or purchasing private information pertaining to a judge or his or her immediate family. Additionally, the Administrator Director of the Courts is required to submit an annual report to the Legislature detailing the amount spent by the state and local governments to protect the judge' information.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2794 establishes a notice system regarding the publishing of at-risk individuals' information and would require the Administrative Director of the Courts to make any notice or request required or authorized by this act on behalf of an at-risk individual if requested. While this measure would add several new responsibilities for the Administrative Office of the Courts, the fiscal impact of these changes would be negligible.

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Other Considerations

None.

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