

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2561, Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by
2 inserting after all of said section and line the following:

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4 "589.660. As used in sections 589.660 to 589.681, the following terms mean:

5 (1) "Address", a residential street address, school address, or work address of a person, as
6 specified on the person's application to be a program participant;

7 (2) "Application assistant", an employee of a state or local agency, or of a nonprofit
8 program that provides counseling, referral, shelter, or other specialized service to victims of
9 domestic violence, human trafficking, rape, sexual assault, or stalking, who has been designated by
10 the respective agency or program, and who has been trained and registered by the secretary of state
11 to assist individuals in the completion of program participation applications;

12 (3) "Designated address", the address assigned to a program participant by the secretary;

13 (4) "Mailing address", an address that is recognized for delivery by the United States Postal
14 Service;

15 (5) "Program", the address confidentiality program established in section 589.663;

16 (6) "Program participant", a person certified by the secretary of state as eligible to
17 participate in the address confidentiality program;

18 (7) "Secretary", the secretary of state.

19 589.663. There is created in the office of the secretary of state a program to be known as the
20 "Address Confidentiality Program" to protect victims of domestic violence, human trafficking, rape,
21 sexual assault, or stalking by authorizing the use of designated addresses for such victims and their
22 minor children. The program shall be administered by the secretary under the following application
23 and certification procedures:

24 (1) An adult person, a parent or guardian acting on behalf of a minor, or a guardian acting
25 on behalf of an incapacitated person may apply to the secretary to have a designated address
26 assigned by the secretary to serve as the person's address or the address of the minor or incapacitated
27 person;

28 (2) The secretary may approve an application only if it is filed with the office of the
29 secretary in the manner established by rule and on a form prescribed by the secretary. A completed
30 application shall contain:

31 (a) The application preparation date, the applicant's signature, and the signature and
32 registration number of the application assistant who assisted the applicant in applying to be a
33 program participant;

34 (b) A designation of the secretary as agent for purposes of service of process and for receipt
35 of first-class mail, legal documents, and certified mail;

36 (c) A sworn statement by the applicant that the applicant has good reason to believe that he

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1 or she:

2 a. Is a victim of domestic violence, human trafficking, rape, sexual assault, or stalking; and

3 b. Fears further violent acts from his or her assailant;

4 (d) The mailing address where the applicant may be contacted by the secretary or a designee
5 and the telephone number or numbers where the applicant may be called by the secretary or the
6 secretary's designee; and

7 (e) One or more addresses that the applicant requests not be disclosed for the reason that
8 disclosure will jeopardize the applicant's safety or increase the risk of violence to the applicant or
9 members of the applicant's household;

10 (3) Upon receipt of a properly completed application, the secretary may certify the applicant
11 as a program participant. A program participant is certified for four years following the date of
12 initial certification unless the certification is withdrawn or cancelled before that date. The secretary
13 shall send notification of lapsing certification and a reapplication form to a program participant at
14 least four weeks prior to the expiration of the program participant's certification;

15 (4) The secretary shall forward first class mail, legal documents, and certified mail to the
16 appropriate program participants."; and

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18 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
19 accordingly.