HB 2317 -- PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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The Public Counsel or an officer or employee of the Public Counsel or the Public Service Commission is prohibited from divulging information provided to the commission by persons or entities. This bill changes the penalty for a violation of this prohibition from a misdemeanor to a class A misdemeanor for the first offense and a class E felony for the second and subsequent offenses.

The bill lists the types of records provided to the commission that is not subject to public disclosure if doing so would threaten public safety as determined by the commission; provided, however, that the commission can release records relating to infrastructure security or cyber security to the director of the Missouri Information Analysis Center. The listed records also are added to the list of exceptions to Sunshine Law requests.