HCS HBs 145 & 59 -- SUNSHINE LAW (Falkner)

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This bill allows for the closure of certain records under the Sunshine law.

This bill authorizes a public governmental body to close records that contain individually identifiable information of a minor 17 years and under held by a city, town, village, or park board, except when the records are requested by the Division of Labor Standards within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations for the purpose of enforcing Chapter 294 RSMo, regarding child labor. It also authorizes the closing of records containing individually identifiable billing and usage records for customers of a utility operated by a political subdivision or customer information for visitors who make a camping, lodging, or shelter reservation for a Missouri state park, a county or municipal park, or a state historic site unless the records are requested by the visitor or authorized for release by the visitor. Records showing boundaries and ownership of property where species of conservation concern and natural communities are located and administered by the Department of Conservation are authorized to be closed records under this bill.