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Raised Bill No. 7212

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: (JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRUST ACT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 54-192h of the general statutes is repealed and the
 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

3 (a) For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Administrative warrant" means a warrant, notice to appear,
removal order or warrant of deportation issued by an agent of a federal
agency charged with the enforcement of immigration laws or the
security of the borders, including ICE and the United States Customs
and Border Protection, but does not include a warrant issued or signed
by a judicial officer.

(2) "Civil immigration detainer" means a request from a federal
immigration authority to a local or state law enforcement agency for a
purpose including, but not limited to:

(A) Detaining an individual suspected of violating a federalimmigration law or who has been issued a final order of removal;

(B) Facilitating the (i) arrest of an individual by a federal immigration
authority, or (ii) transfer of an individual to the custody of a federal
immigration authority;

18 (C) Providing notification of the release date and time of an19 individual in custody; and

(D) Notifying a law enforcement officer, through DHS Form I-247A,
or any other form used by the United States Department of Homeland
Security or any successor agency thereto, of the federal immigration
authority's intent to take custody of an individual;

(3) "Confidential information" means any information obtained and
maintained by a law enforcement agency relating to (A) an individual's
(i) sexual orientation, or (ii) status as a victim of domestic violence or
sexual assault, (B) whether such individual is a (i) crime witness, or (ii)
recipient of public assistance, or (C) an individual's income tax or other
financial records, including, but not limited to, Social Security numbers;

(4) "Federal immigration authority" means any officer, employee or
other person otherwise paid by or acting as an agent of ICE or any
division thereof or any officer, employee or other person otherwise paid
by or acting as an agent of the United States Department of Homeland
Security or any successor agency thereto who is charged with
enforcement of the civil provisions of the Immigration and Nationality
Act;

37 (5) "ICE" means United States Immigration and Customs38 Enforcement or any successor agency thereto;

(6) "ICE access" means any of the following actions taken by a law
enforcement officer with respect to an individual who is stopped by a
law enforcement officer with or without the individual's consent,
arrested, detained or otherwise under the control of a law enforcement
official or agency:

(A) Responding to a civil immigration detainer or request for
notification pursuant to subparagraph (B) of this subdivision
concerning such individual;

(B) Providing notification to a federal immigration authority that
such individual is being or will be released at a certain date and time
through data sharing or otherwise;

50 (C) Providing a federal immigration authority nonpublicly available 51 information concerning such individual regarding release date or time, 52 home address or work address, whether obtained through a computer 53 database or otherwise;

54 (D) Allowing a federal immigration authority to interview such 55 individual under the control of the law enforcement agency;

56 (E) Allowing a federal immigration authority to use a facility or 57 resources in the control of a law enforcement agency to conduct 58 interviews, administrative proceedings or other immigration 59 enforcement activities concerning such individual; or

60 (F) Providing a federal immigration authority information regarding 61 dates and times of probation or parole supervision or any other 62 information related to such individual's compliance with the terms of 63 probation or parole;

64 "ICE access" does not include submission by a law enforcement 65 officer of fingerprints to the Automated Fingerprints Identification 66 system of an arrested individual or the accessing of information from 67 the National Crime Information Center by a law enforcement officer 68 concerning an arrested individual;

(7) "Judicial officer" means any judge of the state or federal judicial
branches and any federal magistrate judge. "Judicial officer" does not
mean an immigration judge;

72 (8) "Law enforcement agency" means any agency for which a law

- enforcement officer is an employee of or otherwise paid by or acting asan agent of;
- 75 (9) "Law enforcement officer" means:

(A) Each officer, employee or other person otherwise paid by oracting as an agent of the Department of Correction;

(B) Each officer, employee or other person otherwise paid by or actingas an agent of a municipal police department;

80 (C) Each officer, employee or other person otherwise paid by or
81 acting as an agent of the Division of State Police within the Department
82 of Emergency Services and Public Protection; [and]

83 (D) Each judicial marshal, state marshal and adult <u>or juvenile</u>
84 probation officer;

85 (E) Each state's attorney, assistant state's attorney, supervising state's

86 attorney, special deputy assistant state's attorney and each officer,

- 87 employee or other person otherwise paid by or acting as an agent of the
- 88 Division of Criminal Justice; and

89 (F) Each officer, employee or other person otherwise paid by or acting
 90 as an agent of the Board of Pardons and Paroles;

(10) "Bail commissioner or intake, assessment or referral specialist"
means an employee of the Judicial Branch whose duties are described in
section 54-63d; [and]

(11) "School police or security department" means any police or
security department of (A) the constituent units of the state system of
higher education, as defined in section 10a-1, (B) a public school, or (C)
a local or regional school district; and

98 (12) "Public agency" has the same meaning as provided in section 1 99 200.

(b) (1) No law enforcement officer, bail commissioner or intake,
assessment or referral specialist, or employee of a school police or
security department shall:

(A) Arrest or detain an individual pursuant to a civil immigration
detainer unless (i) the detainer is accompanied by a warrant issued or
signed by a judicial officer, (ii) the individual has been convicted of a
class A or B felony offense, or (iii) the individual is identified as a
possible match in the federal Terrorist Screening Database or similar
database;

(B) Expend or use time, money, facilities, property, equipment,
personnel or other resources to communicate with a federal
immigration authority regarding the custody status or release of an
individual targeted by a civil immigration detainer, except as provided
in subsection [(e)] (f) of this section;

114 (C) Arrest or detain an individual based on an administrative115 warrant;

(D) Give a federal immigration authority access to interview an individual who is in the custody of a law enforcement agency unless the individual (i) has been convicted of a class A or B felony offense, (ii) is identified as a possible match in the federal Terrorist Screening Database or similar database, or (iii) is the subject of a court order issued under 8 USC 1225(d)(4)(B); or

(E) Perform any function of a federal immigration authority, whether
pursuant to 8 USC 1357(g) or any other law, regulation, agreement,
contract or policy, whether formal or informal.

(2) The provisions of this subsection shall not prohibit submission by
a law enforcement officer of fingerprints to the Automated Fingerprints
Identification system of an arrested individual or the accessing of
information from the National Crime Information Center by a law
enforcement officer concerning an arrested individual.

(c) (1) No public agency or officer, employee or other person
 otherwise paid by or acting as an agent of a public agency shall use
 interpretation services provided by a federal immigration authority.

133 (2) Except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, no public 134 agency or officer, employee or other person otherwise paid by or acting 135 as an agent of a public agency shall disclose, for the purpose of 136 enforcement of federal immigration law, or in response to a request or 137 inquiry of any kind referencing a person's immigration status: (A) A 138 person's address; (B) a person's workplace or hours of work; (C) a 139 person's school or school hours; or (D) the date, time or location of a person's hearings, proceedings or appointments with the public agency 140

- 141 <u>that are not matters of public record.</u>
- 142 (3) A public agency or officer, employee or other person otherwise paid by or acting as an agent of a public agency may disclose 143 144 information prohibited from disclosure under subdivision (3) of this 145 subsection or subsection (e) or (f) of this section, only (A) if required to do so by a judicial warrant or subpoena signed by a judicial officer, (B) 146 to the extent that such information is publicly available and such 147 148 disclosure is under the same terms and conditions as available to the 149 general public, (C) if otherwise required by law, or (D) if the information 150 is required to advance an investigation into a violation of criminal law.
- 151 (d) Prior to responding to a request for notification of the release date 152 and time from custody of a law enforcement agency of an individual 153 suspected of violating a federal immigration law or who has been issued 154 a final order of removal, the law enforcement officer shall forward the 155 request to the head of the law enforcement agency for review.
- [(d)] (e) Any confidential information of an individual who comes
 into contact with a law enforcement officer may be disclosed to a federal
 immigration authority only if such disclosure is:
- (1) Authorized in writing by the individual to whom the informationpertains, or by the parent or guardian of such individual if the

161 individual is a minor or not legally competent to consent to such162 disclosure;

163 (2) Necessary in furtherance of a criminal investigation of terrorism;164 or

165 (3) Otherwise required by law.

166 [(e)] (f) (1) Upon receiving a civil immigration detainer, a law 167 enforcement agency shall provide a copy of the detainer to the affected 168 individual who is the subject of the detainer and inform the individual whether the law enforcement agency intends to comply with the 169 170 detainer. If a law enforcement agency provides ICE with notification 171 that an individual is being, or will be released on a certain date, the law 172 enforcement agency shall promptly provide to the individual and to the 173 individual's attorney or shall make a good faith effort to contact one 174 other individual who the individual may designate, a copy of such 175 notification as well as the reason, in writing, that such law enforcement 176 agency is complying with the detainer.

177 (2) All records relating to ICE access maintained by law enforcement 178 agencies shall be deemed public records under the Freedom of 179 Information Act, as defined in section 1-200. Records relating to ICE 180 access include, but are not limited to, data maintained by the law 181 enforcement agency regarding the number and demographic data of 182 individuals to whom the agency has provided ICE access, the date ICE 183 access was provided to an individual, the type of ICE access provided 184 to an individual, the amount of resources expended on providing ICE 185 access and any communication between the law enforcement agency 186 and any federal immigration authority. No provision of this section 187 shall be construed to require disclosure of any record exempt from 188 disclosure under section 1-210 or 1-215.

(3) (A) Beginning January 1, 2020, the legislative body of any
municipality with a law enforcement agency that has provided ICE
access to an individual during the prior six months shall provide to the

192 Office of Policy and Management, on an ongoing basis every six months, 193 data regarding the number and demographic data of individuals to 194 whom the law enforcement agency has provided ICE access, the date 195 ICE access was provided to an individual and whether the ICE access 196 was provided as part of compliance with a civil immigration detainer or 197 through other means. Data may be provided in the form of statistics or, 198 if statistics are not maintained, as individual records, provided 199 personally identifiable information is redacted.

200 (B) Beginning January 1, 2026, each public agency shall provide to the 201 Office of Policy and Management, on an ongoing basis every six months, 202 data regarding any request for disclosure of information, as described 203 in subsection (c) of this section, the date the request was made and the 204 response to the request, including whether any information was 205 disclosed in response to the request. Data may be provided in the form 206 of statistics or, if statistics are not maintained, as individual records, provided personally identifiable information is redacted. 207

208 [(f)] (g) The Office of Policy and Management shall ensure that the requirements of this section are disseminated to, and appropriate 209 210 training is provided for, all [affected law enforcement agencies and 211 school police or security departments and employees and agents of such 212 law enforcement agencies and school police or security departments] 213 public agencies or officers, employees or other persons otherwise paid 214 by or acting as agents of a public agency. Such training may entail how 215 law enforcement officers and other officials performing similar duties 216 will adhere to the provisions of this section and how they will interact 217 with crime victims, criminal suspects and individuals cooperating with 218 law enforcement officers.

[(g)] (h) No provision of this section shall be construed to provide, expand or ratify the legal authority of any law enforcement agency to detain an individual based on a civil immigration detainer request.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2025	54-192h	

Statement of Purpose:

To limit the type of information disclosed to a federal immigration authority and to expand such limitation to all public agencies.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]