



**State Representative
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Cera bill to safeguard personal information of judges passes Ohio House
HB 341 follows August 2017 attack on Jefferson County judge

COLUMBUS— State Rep. Jack Cera (D-Bellaire) today applauded the Ohio House’s passage of House Bill (HB) 341, his bill to make sensitive personal identification information of judges and their families exempt from disclosure under Ohio’s public records law. Rep. Cera introduced the legislation following the [attempted assassination of a judge in his district](#).

“After the attack on a judge in my district, we knew we had to take action,” said Cera. “I am glad we could work together to pass this common sense update to our state’s public records laws to ensure the safety of our public servants and their families.”

Under HB 341, judges would be included on the list of individuals whose residential and familial information is exempt from disclosure under the state’s Public Records Law. Ohio law already allows law enforcement officials and a number of others to qualify for this exemption.

HB 341 now moves to the Ohio Senate for consideration.