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OR2020-03441

Dear Mr. Meitler:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Public Information Act (the "Act"), chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 810200 (ORR# 40620).

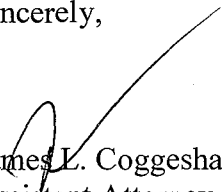
The Texas Education Agency ("TEA") received a request for information pertaining to a named individual. TEA claims the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.101 of the Government Code. We have considered the claimed exception and reviewed the submitted information.

In Open Records Letter No. 2020-03195 (2020), we issued a previous determination authorizing TEA to withhold all information and materials subpoenaed or compiled by TEA in connection with an investigation described by section 21.062(a) of the Education Code under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 21.062(d) of the Education Code, so long as other state or federal law does not permit access to the information, without the necessity of again requesting an attorney general decision with regard to the applicability of this exception. *See* Gov't Code § 552.301(a); Open Records Decision No. 673 at 7-8 (2001) (delineating elements of second type of previous determination under Gov't Code § 552.301(a)). Thus, pursuant to Open Records Letter No. 2020-03195, TEA must withhold the submitted information under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 21.062(a) of the Education Code.

This letter ruling is limited to the particular information at issue in this request and limited to the facts as presented to us; therefore, this ruling must not be relied upon as a previous determination regarding any other information or any other circumstances.

This ruling triggers important deadlines regarding the rights and responsibilities of the governmental body and of the requestor. For more information concerning those rights and responsibilities, please visit our website at <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/members-public/what-expect-after-ruling-issued> or call the OAG's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Public Information Act may be directed to the Cost Rules Administrator of the OAG, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,



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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)