

To replace the several public safety exemptions for information that could be used in terror or cyber attacks

Any portion of a public record that details security systems for a building, database, public utility or communications network if and only if release would jeopardize public safety, including that portion of a public record that includes plans or other information specifically intended to prevent or respond to criminal or terrorist activity or cyberattacks. In invoking this release, the custodian must make a finding that the specific information that is redacted from such a public record would jeopardize public safety. That finding shall be a public record subject to the provisions of this act and shall describe in sufficient detail the nature of criminal, terror or cyberattack threat involved. Nothing in the subdivision shall prevent the disclosure of information about the performance of a building or a security system after it has been subjected to a natural disaster, fire, explosion or other catastrophic event.

In addition to simplifying the exemption, this eliminates the peculiarity in FOIA that says evacuation plans of hospitals and nursing homes are exempt from release. This is in 2.2-3705.2 (16).