Sec. 2054.553. REPORT. Not later than October 1, 2014, the department shall submit a report on its findings from the study conducted under Section 2054.552 and recommendations for modernization of legacy systems to:

1. the governor;
2. the lieutenant governor;
3. the speaker of the house of representatives;
4. the House Technology Committee; and
5. the Senate Committee on Government Organization.

Sec. 2054.554. EXPIRATION. This subchapter expires August 31, 2015.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on April 11, 2013: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 2738 on May 13, 2013: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 9, 2013: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved May 25, 2013.
Effective May 25, 2013.

CHAPTER 183

H.B. No. 2961

AN ACT
relating to the social security numbers of school district employees.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 552.024, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-i) to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (a-1), each employee or official of a governmental body and each former employee or official of a governmental body shall choose whether to allow public access to the information in the custody of the governmental body that relates to the person’s home address, home telephone number, emergency contact information, or social security number, or that reveals whether the person has family members.

(a-i) A school district may not require an employee or former employee of the district to choose whether to allow public access to the employee’s or former employee’s social security number.

SECTION 2. Section 552.147, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-i) to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (a-1), the social security number of a living person is excepted from the requirements of Section 552.021, but is not confidential under this section and this section does not make the social security number of a living person confidential under another provision of this chapter or other law.

(a-i) The social security number of an employee of a school district in the custody of the district is confidential.

SECTION 3. Subchapter D, Chapter 11, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 11.1514 to read as follows:

Sec. 11.1514. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS. The board of trustees of an independent school district shall adopt a policy prohibiting the use of the social security number of an employee of the district as an employee identifier other than for tax purposes.
SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.
Passed by the House on May 1, 2013: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 14, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.
Approved May 25, 2013.
Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 184
S.B. No. 33
AN ACT relating to the electronic monitoring of residents at state supported living centers; providing criminal penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subsection (c), Section 555.025, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:
(c) Except as provided by Subchapter E, the [The] department may not install or operate video surveillance equipment in a private space or in a location in which video surveillance equipment can capture images within a private space.

SECTION 2. Chapter 555, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subchapter E to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER E. ELECTRONIC MONITORING OF RESIDENT'S ROOM

Sec. 555.151. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:
(1) “Authorized electronic monitoring” means the placement of an electronic monitoring device in a resident’s room and making tapes or recordings with the device after making a request to the center to allow electronic monitoring.
(2) “Electronic monitoring device”:
(A) includes:
(i) video surveillance cameras installed in a resident’s room; and
(ii) audio devices installed in a resident’s room designed to acquire communications or other sounds occurring in the room; and
(B) does not include an electronic, mechanical, or other device that is specifically used for the nonconsensual interception of wire or electronic communications.

Sec. 555.152. CRIMINAL AND CIVIL LIABILITY. (a) It is a defense to prosecution under Section 16.02, Penal Code, or any other statute of this state under which it is an offense to intercept a communication or disclose or use an intercepted communication, that the communication was intercepted by an electronic monitoring device placed in a resident’s room.

(b) This subchapter does not affect whether a person may be held to be civilly liable under other law in connection with placing an electronic monitoring device in a resident’s room or in connection with using or disclosing a tape or recording made by the device except:
(1) as specifically provided by this subchapter; or
(2) to the extent that liability is affected by:
(A) a consent or waiver signed under this subchapter; or
(B) the fact that authorized electronic monitoring is required to be conducted with notice to persons who enter a resident’s room.

(c) A communication or other sound acquired by an audio electronic monitoring device installed under the provisions of this subchapter concerning authorized electronic monitoring is not considered to be: