



- 4) Specifically exempts from disclosure under the California Public Records Act specific type of records (*Government Code Section 7930.180*).
- 5) Prohibits a person from advertising, soliciting, or operating a pest control business, unless the person has a valid pest control business license issued by the Director of the Department of Pesticide Regulation (*Food and Agricultural Code Section 11701*).

### **PROPOSED LAW:**

This bill:

- 1) States in order to protect the privacy of applicants, licensees, and certificate holders, personal information collected pursuant to this division shall not be considered a public record and shall not be disclosed pursuant to a request under the California Public Records Act, unless required pursuant to a court order by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 2) States, for purposes of this section, “personal information” means information, other than the name and mailing address, that identifies an individual, including an individual’s photograph, social security number, address, telephone number, and medical or disability information, but does not include other information related to licensing such as incidents, rules or safety violations, misconduct, commendations, and license status.

### **ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT:** According to the author:

“California has the most educated and credentialed agricultural workforce in the country. This has enabled California to simultaneously be leaders in environmental stewardship and agricultural production. Credentialed Professionals in agriculture deserve the same privacy protections as their licensed counterparts in other industries. Specifically, AB 2086 will ensure that the home addresses of these employees and small business owners are not made available to the public.”

The California Association of Pest Control Advisers (CAPCA) and the California Agricultural Aircraft Association (CAAA), co-sponsors of the bill, wrote in support of the bill stating, in part, that many of the Pest Control Advisers and applicators licensed by the Department are “...small businesses and single-person operations that are required, as a condition of approval, to identify their mailing address during licensing and/or certification. Because of

the nature of these small businesses, mailing addresses are often home addresses for these operators, making what would otherwise be confidential information publicly accessible.” They state that similar licenses issued by the Department of Consumer Affairs are privy to confidentiality and should be afforded the same protections.

**ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION:**

None received

**RELATED LEGISLATION:**

SB 609 (*Chapter 227, Statutes of 2025*): Expanded conditions for the confidentiality of fishing license information

**PRIOR ACTIONS:**

Assembly Floor:	74 - 0
Assembly Appropriations Committee:	13 - 0
Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee:	7 - 0

**SUPPORT:**

California Agricultural Aircraft Association  
California Association of Pest Control Advisers

**OPPOSITION:**

None received

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