

§220.25. Confidentiality of certain records

Except for the reports of investigations released as provided in R.S. 49:220.24(C)(6), the records prepared or obtained by the inspector general in connection with investigations conducted by the inspector general shall be deemed confidential and protected from disclosure. No privilege established by law shall be deemed waived on any record obtained by the inspector general in connection with the performance of the duties established in this Part. Any record or information obtained by the inspector general which is confidential pursuant to any other provision of law shall remain confidential, and it shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than two thousand dollars or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both, for the inspector general or any of his employees, or any other public official, corporation, or individual, to make public any such information or record. Nothing herein shall be interpreted to prevent public access to public records during the course of an inspector general investigation. The custodian of any public record shall provide that record to any person having the right to examine public records. If the only copy of the public record is in the hands of the inspector general, the custodian of that record shall so certify and the requestor may examine and copy the record at the office of the inspector general.

Acts 2008, 1st Ex. Sess., No. 12, §3, eff. April 26, 2008; Acts 2008, No. 831, §3, eff. July 1, 2008.