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This bill modifies the requirements for disclosure of settlement agreements involving certain public employees.

The bill also modifies the disclosure required upon completion of an investigation or complaint against a public official by further clarifying and adding certain employment positions within cities and counties of a specified size and all school districts, as meeting the definition of public official.

Existing language, which provides that data related to a complaint or charge against a local public official are public only if the potential legal claims are released as part of a settlement agreement, is modified to eliminate a requirement that the settlement agreement be with another person before the disclosure requirement would apply.