

CHAPTER 142
FORMERLY
HOUSE BILL NO. 174
AS AMENDED BY
HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 1

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 9 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING
TO THE RECORDATION OF INSTRUMENTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF
DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend Chapter 96, Title 9 of the Delaware Code by adding a new section
“§9627” thereto as follows:

“§ 9627. Redaction of Information.

(a) The Recorder for each county shall be authorized to establish administrative
procedures to allow a party who has previously been a signatory on an instrument for
recordation to request that the Recorder redact personal identifying information. Personal
identifying information shall include: bank and credit card account numbers, the first five
digits of a social security number, official State or government issued driver’s license or
identification numbers, alien registration numbers, government passport numbers and
employer or taxpayer identification numbers. A person requesting redaction must provide
information sufficient to enable the Recorder to identify the document to be redacted and
verify that the requesting party or parties are the same person or persons named on the
previously recorded instrument.

(b) Personal identifying information shall not include information essential to the
purposes of public recordation, such as party names, property information including property
description, parcel number, parcel address or mailing address. A Recorder, in consultation
with the County Attorney in each respective county, shall be authorized to determine whether
information is essential to the purposes of public recordation and thereby not subject to
redaction.

(c) The Recorder of Deeds for New Castle County, Kent County and Sussex County
shall have no liability for failure to redact personal identifying information.”.

Section 2. This Act shall take effect upon enactment.

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